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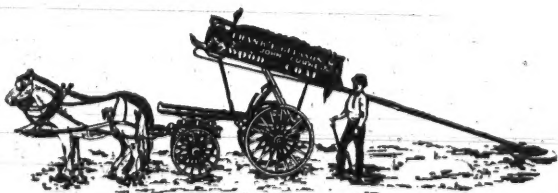
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LOCAL NEWS.

If you see it in the Townsman, it's news to be relied upon; if it is news and so, you'll see it in the Townsman.

The second degree was worked at the meeting of Andover lodge No. 230, I. O. O. F., on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Charles Barnard's reception to her dancing class will be held in G. A. R. hall Friday evening, March 9th.

The sleighing is at present the best of the season and several sleigh ride parties are planning to take advantage of it.

The Rev. Albert F. Earnshaw of Chelmsford Centre will occupy the pulpit of the West Parish church on Sunday.

The sleighing party which was to have been held last Friday evening to Lowell, will be held this evening. The barge will leave the square at 8.00.

Invitations are out for an informal dancing party to be held in the Grange hall on Friday evening, March 2nd. The subscription is 50 cents.

The names of Rev. and Mrs. F. A. Wilson should have appeared in the list of members of the A. V. I. S., which was published in last week's Townsman.

St. Matthew's lodge, A. F. and A. M., will work the third degree at a special communication to be held on next Monday evening, beginning at seven o'clock.

The annual Senior dance of Punchard school will be held in the Town hall on next Thursday evening, February 22. Dancing will be enjoyed from eight to eleven.

Mrs. Maurice Curran and Mrs. John Joyce were matrons at the dance held under the auspices of the Avenite club, in Lawrence, on Tuesday evening. A number of local young men attended.

Leonard D. Sherman, the well known photographer starts next Tuesday for a ten days' snow shoe trip through the lumber regions of Maine. The studio will be closed until his return.

The annual temperance meeting will be held in the Town hall on Sunday evening February 25. Local ministers will have charge of the meeting and prominent local men will give addresses.

An exceptionally fine program has been prepared for the musicale which will be held in the Baptist church on next Tuesday evening at 7.45. The tickets are now on sale at 25 cents.

David H. Moncur has been elected a delegate to represent Can McPherson of Lawrence at the annual convention of the Grand Clan of Massachusetts to be held this year at Springfield on Feb. 22.

A private shirt waist dancing party will be held in the Grange hall on Monday evening, February 26, the subscription price of which is 50 cents. Ralph Bailey and Carl Cannon are the committee in charge.

Last evening a large number of members of the Knights of Columbus went to Lowell for the purpose of taking the third degree. A special train from Lawrence conveyed the members to and from Lowell.

The following real estate transfers were recorded at the register of deeds office in Lawrence last week: William S. Knox et al to John A. Perkins, Andover, \$1; Jerome S. Daniels to E. A. Dane, Andover \$1.

Thomas F. Morrissey, the local livery stable keeper, has been appointed mail carrier at the local post-office to take the place of George Bushfield, who recently resigned. The appointment was confirmed on Monday.

The large elm tree at the rear of Buxton & Coleman's store on Park street was cut down on Monday, as it had rotted in the centre and had a large number of brown-tail moth nests in its branches. The tree was said to be 120 years old.

Last Saturday evening two sleighing parties took advantage of the largest storm of the season and enjoyed rides, one going to Lowell and the other to Haverhill. The full moon made the rides especially cheerful and both parties report good times.

The local fire engine company was called to the home of Mrs. James P. Butterfield on School street on Monday morning at 11.30 to extinguish a chimney fire which was burning in good shape. Prompt work by the firemen prevented serious damage.

A thoroughly good time is promised at the concert and dance to be held in the Town hall next Friday evening under the auspices of the local Y. M. C. T. A. This is the third annual, and it is the plan of the committee to eclipse both of those already held. The tickets are now on sale and are: Gents, 50 cents; ladies, 35 cents.

A Valentine party was held in Punchard hall Wednesday evening under the auspices of the Senior class, to which members were invited as well as the faculty and Superintendent Palmer. The early part of the evening was spent in playing games suitable to St. Valentine's season and much merriment was derived. Refreshments were served after which dancing was enjoyed. The following committee was in charge: Miss Marion L. Abbott, Miss Lucretia Flint, Miss Mabel Weeks and president Harold F. Saunders.

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Prof. C. O. Day will preach in the Seminary church next Sunday morning.

The Bazaar at the November club house will open at three o'clock next Thursday afternoon.

Save the afternoon of March 1 for the piano recital in Davis hall, Abbot Academy, by Miss Ruth Deyo.

Remember that all articles for the Town Warrant must be presented to the Selectmen by Monday of next week.

Speaker Cole will deliver the address at the annual meeting of the North Adams Merchants Association this evening.

The Helping Hand society of the Free church will give a bean supper in the near future. Next week's Townsman will give the date.

A regular meeting of the Andover C. E. Union will be held at the Baptist church on Tuesday, Feb. 27, at 7.45. Rev. Charles C. Earle of Lawrence will speak.

Rev. George B. Huntington of the American Baptist Missionary Union of Boston will speak at the Baptist church on Sunday morning on, "The New Era in China."

Men of the Free church parish are to meet on Tuesday evening to perfect the organization of a "Men's club." Previous to the business, Rev. Frederic Palmer is to give reminiscences of his travels in Europe last summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Barnard of High street are spending a few weeks in the South. They are making their headquarters at Pinehurst, N. C., and taking side trips to the Hot Springs, W. V., Washington and Old Point Comfort.

Speaker Cole, Pres. Wood of the American Woolen Co., Treas. Smith of the Wood Worsted mill, and Principal Stearns of P. A., were among the guests at the dinner tendered by the State to the Chinese Commissioners at the New Algonquin club, in Boston, last Monday evening.

It was reported in a recent issue of the Townsman that the Andover Steam Laundry had installed a new boiler because it did not come up to the requirements of the inspectors. The Townsman is asked to make this correction: That Mr. Gibson has had his boiler insured the last two years by the State Inspector, and he has a first-class license to run the same.

At the February return day in the superior civil court the following case of local interest was entered:

Horace P. Eaton of Andover vs. Wm. N. Pike and Sons, an action of tort for \$15,000 from being struck by a wire on Marlard street, Andover, which it is claimed was down, owing to the moving of a stationary engine by defendants, through the street.

The Lincoln Helping Hand society, affiliated with Lincoln lodge, A. O. U. W., of this town, held their 12th annual banquet at the Essex house, Lawrence, Saturday evening, during which a delightful and profitable time was spent. Thirty-five members were present and thoroughly enjoyed the bountiful turkey supper served. Following the banquet an informal entertainment was enjoyed, with the following contributing: Piano solos, John Flint; vocal solos, Lester Hilton; mandolin and guitar duets, Angelo Beraby and Robert Stahl. Remarks were made by several members of the society. J. S. Barrett, president of the society, acted as master of ceremonies. Among those present were: J. S. Barrett, Fred Hulme, John Callahan, Charles Bowman, James Callahan, Raymond L. Buelan, J. H. Playdon, H. Vier, G. A. Perkins, R. P. Whitten, S. Martinson, J. H. Flint, James Napier, B. Nason, W. Fortis, David Cunningham, Alex. Dick, D. P. Guthrie, Nelson Maskell, D. Webster, J. R. Hickey, T. Morrissey, Jonathan Hilton, Lester Hilton, Dan Hilton, J. H. Baker, James Grosvenor, W. McTernan, C. F. Henriksen.

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We wish to thank our many kind friends and neighbors for their kind words and letters of sympathy and comfort which were so generously bestowed on us during our recent bereavement.
MR. AND MRS. CHARLES JAMESON.

ABBOTT VILLAGE.

Alexander McKenzie, of Red Spring road, is confined to his home by illness.

Edward Murphy, of Baker's lane, has returned to work again after two weeks' illness with rheumatism.

George Buchanan, of Lincoln street, spent Saturday at the home of his sister, Mrs. John Ritchie, in Bradford.

John Baxter, of Higgins court, cattle overseer of the S. S. Slavonia, arrived home last Friday after a fast run from Liverpool.

James Armour, of Forest Hills, spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of his sister, Mrs. James Falconer, of Red Spring road.

Joseph Soutar and son James, of Melrose, spent Sunday with the latter's grandmother, Mrs. McLaughlin, on Red Spring road.

James Gilleleons and William Corcoran, two well known Dundonians, sailed yesterday from Boston for a visit to their native home.

Frank Murphy, Jr., of Red Spring road, has gone to Billerica, where he has secured a position with the Toilet Spinning company.

Miss Bessie Tomlin, of Red Spring road, sailed yesterday from Boston on the S. S. Symic for a visit to her home in Dundee, Scotland.

Misses Sarah Kennedy and Martha Bond, of New York, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Anderson, of Red Spring road, this week.

Mrs. Walter Motz, of Lawrence, spent the latter part of last week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Ramsey, of Red Spring road.

Patrick Hughes has returned to his employment in the flax department of the Smith & Dove mill, after two months' sickness with rheumatic fever.

Shawsheen lodge, No. 61, I. O. G. T., met Monday evening in the Abbott Village hall and initiated four new members, after which the following program was rendered for the good of the order: Song, "The old rustic bridge"; Lizzie Bisset; oration, William Bentley; song, "Silver moon"; Miss Bisset; song, "Last rose of summer"; Alexander Valentine; remarks, Brother Craig of North Andover; piano solo, Mary Gorrie; recitation, "The Gambler's Return"; Jane Stewart; recitation, "The Broken Bowl"; Jane Stewart. There will be a pie social next Monday evening.

West Parish.

Mr. and Mrs. James Travers formerly of the River road have gone to Lawrence to live.

J. H. Knight of Holliston has been spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Morrill.

Sixteen young people enjoyed a sleigh-ride through Tewksbury on Monday evening, the full moon making it exceptionally fine for the occasion. The conveyance was furnished by George L. Averill. On the return a stop was made at the home of Mrs. Granville Cutler where an oyster supper was served.

Abbot Academy.

Mr. John Alden gave a very interesting and instructive lecture on "Coal Tar Products" in McKee Hall last Saturday afternoon. Next summer will be celebrated probably the semi-centennial of the beginnings of the wonderful uses of these products, and it may be that this lecture was the earliest herald of that anniversary.

Mrs. Lawrence Thurston, a missionary to China, was the guest of the school over Sunday, speaking in the interests of the Student Volunteer Movement at the Saturday evening meeting.

Mrs. John Bellows will give a Brownie reading at hall exercises, this coming Saturday.

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COL. BRADLEY ELECTED DEPT. COMMANDER.

BOSTON, Feb. 14—Yesterday the 40th annual encampment of the Massachusetts department of the G. A. R. commenced its two days' session in Faneuil Hall, and before adjourning in the afternoon had chosen these officers: Department commander, J. Payson Bradley; senior vice-department commander, Daniel H. L. Gleason; junior vice-department commander, Alfred S. Roe; surgeon, Robert A. Blood; chaplain, the Rev. W. C. Litchfield.

During the morning session, Commander-in-Chief Tanner came to the meeting and was received with great applause. Upon being introduced he said in part:

"I have come into this hall simply to state facts respecting our order. Years ago I first came within these hallowed walls. I know something of the honored name associated with the place, but I may say that Faneuil Hall never held a more honored body than is present today."

The adjutant-general of the Massachusetts department reported a present membership of 16,524, showing a loss of 577 during the year.

Previous to the election of officers, Department Commander Wolff read his annual address, which was followed by the reports of the department officers, that of Asst.-Adj.-Gen. Preble showing a loss of 517 members during the year.

The afternoon session opened at 2.30 o'clock and the encampment proceeded at once to the election of officers, with the result as noted above.

Following the work came the reception to the army nurses, four in number. They were escorted to the platform by the commander and introduced amid great enthusiasm. Said one of the number: "I wish you knew how glad all the old nurses would be if they were able to be present and look you in the face; I bring you their love."

A delegation of the ladies of the G. A. R. was also presented to the encampment, as were representatives of the Sons and Daughters of Veterans.

The representative of the Sons of Veterans said: "We are proud of the inheritance given us by our fathers, and we pledge ourselves to be loyal to the trust committed to our care. I bring you the greetings of 50,000 sons."

The Daughters of Veterans brought to the commander a beautiful bouquet of flowers. Following the visits of the auxiliary bodies the business of the encampment was resumed. The committee to which was referred the recommendations made by Department Commander Wolff in his address reported its hearty approval of them all.

Words of commendation of the year's service of the retiring commander were spoken from the floor by a number of the comrades. Delegates were appointed to attend the national encampment and some minor business brought the first day's session to a close at 5.15 p. m.

Today the encampment will meet at Faneuil Hall at 10 o'clock. The session, it is expected, will be brief, as the annual banquet will be held at the American House at 1.30 o'clock. Gov. Guild and a number of state and city officials will attend.

Col. J. Payson Bradley of Boston, elected department commander, is the son of Capt. Leverett and Catherine (Frye) Bradley. He was born in Methuen, June 7, 1848.

Col. Bradley joined the Grand Army of the Republic early in its history, and was a charter member, and the third commander of Dahlgren post 2, G. A. R., and has been a worker in the order from the very beginning. He has never accepted any elective position in city affairs, and has been appointed and served as chairman of the Boston schoolhouse commission the first year of its existence.

Col. Bradley is married and has three children living. He is active in mercantile affairs, being engaged in the production of petroleum, and also the oil business with the Kehew-Bradley company. He is a trustee of the South Boston Savings Bank and a director in several organizations; is president of the Dahlgren Memorial Hall Association, a member of the Congressional Club, the Bostonian Society, American Historical Society, Military Historical

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Society of Massachusetts, the New Algonquin Club, Columbia Lodge, F. A. M. the Boston Young Men's Club, Union, and the Phillips Congregational Church.

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

The interior of the People's Temple was canopied with streamers of red, white and blue yesterday in cheerful contrast to the dull damp weather outside. Five hundred Woman's Relief corps delegates from every part of the state were seated upon the floor.

Seated on the platform with Mrs. Ralph, department president, were Mrs. Abby Adams of Superior, Neb., national president; Mrs. Mary Morgan, national secretary; Mrs. C. M. Wright, national treasurer and Mrs. Elizabeth Perry. Later Clara Barton was introduced. Among other visitors were Mrs. Harriet E. Bodge of Connecticut and Mrs. Fanny E. Minot of New Hampshire.

Mrs. Ralph's exhaustive report occupied the early part of the morning session, Mrs. Goddard being called to the chair as chairman pro tem. At the close of the address Mrs. Ralph was made the recipient of many gifts.

The secretary's report showed there was again of 109 members during the year, making a membership of 14,118, and in the treasury of the 173 corps there is \$30,156.

Clara Barton was present during the memorial service to Gen. Blackmar, which practically closed the morning session. Mrs. Mary L. Gilmer delivered the memorial address, which was most impressive.

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SUNDAY, FEB. 18

10.30 a.m. Morning worship with sermon by the pastor. Also, Sub-Primary department.

Sunday-school to follow.

3.00 p.m. Junior Y. P. S. C. E.

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Wednesday, 7.45 p.m. Neighborhood Prayer meeting at Mr. Hitchcock's, Central Street, Mrs. Barnard's.

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HAVERHILL DEFEATS LAWRENCE TEAM.

The first game of the Merrimack Valley Duck Pin league to be rolled on the Bay State alleys, resulted in a victory for the Haverhill five, who took two strings and the total by a margin of 36 pins. Lawrence won the first string, with a total of 468, a record-breaking feat, but it seemed too much for them, and the next string they dropped to 416, while Haverhill pushed their total to 456. The last string also went to Haverhill by a margin of 14 pins. The Haverhill five were the staid and steady, and their picking out spares and single pins showed to advantage. Fairbanks and Lorenz of the local team were the only two Lawrence men who rolled in good form.

Leland, of the visitors, was high roller of the evening with 285, while Brown of the same team was a close second with 284. Lorenz was high man for Lawrence with 273. The next match for the Lawrence team in this league will be with the leaders of the league, Nashua, next Tuesday, at Nashua.

Intense rivalry exists in the league, as to the individual average championship. There are several closely bunched for the honor at present, all having an average of 90 or better. Brown of Haverhill leads. O'Brien by his dropping to 248 last night Jones first place, which he previously held with the fine average of 99 2-3 pins per string. Moulton, Wilson, Leland and Fairbanks are all over 90, and it promises to be an exciting contest for the honor.

Last night's score:

HAVERHILL.				LAWRENCE.					
	1	2	3	Tot.		1	2	3	Tot.
Geyer	75	79	81	235	Parlow	99	80	73	252
Breed	104	87	83	274	Lorenz	90	83	100	273
Nesbitt	83	90	83	256					
Leland	97	94	94	285	Total	468	416	414	1298
Fairbanks	91	106	87	284					
	450	456	428	1334					

Mrs. Krusty—You want the earth. Krusty—Well, it wouldn't be the only thing of uncertain age belonging to me.

Walter—Ever eat sausages, sir? Guest—No; they don't agree with me. Walter—That's strange. I always thought that the dog was man's best friend.

KEEPING TAB ON THE WORLD

Railroad Rate Legislation Now Depends on Action of the Senate—Patterson's Bolt For Treaty Raises Constitutional Issue—Miners Preparing For Stupendous Struggle—Moody Denies Using Garfield's Evidence Against Packers. Douma to Meet April 28. Lincoln Farm Association.

LEGISLATIVE

Revolt Against Caucus Rules.

The action of the Democratic senators in adopting a rule which virtually expels from the party any one who

should vote for the Santo Domingo treaty caused Senator Patterson of Colorado to give notice in open senate that he would not be bound by the caucus in this respect. He offered a resolution declaring that this caucus action was in violation "of the spirit and intent of the constitution" and that any senator who should be thus coerced on a treaty matter weakened his state, degraded his office and assailed the dignity and standing of the senate. This the Republicans were inclined to support.

On a later day Senator Patterson defended his bolt and encountered the oratorical flanking of his Democratic colleague, Senator Bailey of Texas. Bailey charged that bolting was a habit rather than a principle with Patterson, citing his record.

Passage of the Rate Bill. After over a week of discussion and many futile attempts to amend, the Hepburn bill, giving the interstate commerce commission the right to fix railway freight rates subject to court review, was passed by the house, Feb. 8, almost unanimously. The amendment which received the most support was that proposed by Underwood of Alabama (Dem.) to include express companies within the scope of the bill.

On a rising division the vote on this was a tie—129—but a count by tellers disclosed 119 yeas to 146 nays. By a vote of 74 to 143 the house refused to include sleeping and dining cars. A proposition by Gaines of Tennessee (Dem.) to prohibit the issue of free passes failed, 99 to 137. On final passage the vote stood 346 to 7.

McCall of Massachusetts, Grosvenor of Ohio and Littlefield of Maine were chief among the few dissenting Republicans. Grosvenor proposed to prevent the railroad owners from being interested in mines, car lines or other industries supplying business to the railroads. Littlefield's chief objection was to giving the commission power to suspend preferential rates. Sulzer of New York (Dem.) declared the railways liked the Hepburn bill because of the thirty day suspension clause.

In the closing hours of the debate Cockran of New York and Leader Williams had summed up for the minority, while Mann of Illinois and Hepburn of Illinois closed for the majority. Cockran denounced the frauds of the railroads and criticized the courts for being lenient to them. He favored the bill as a barrier against public ownership and socialism. Williams congratulated all on "the triumph of a cherished Democratic principle under a Republican administration." Hepburn said the bill did not apply to express companies and that it was limited strictly "to the imposition of a reasonable rate after it had been ascertained that an unfair, discriminatory rate had been established by a railroad company; in other words, after it had been determined that a crime had been committed."

P. R. R. Facts For Congress. The president transmitted the reply of the interstate commerce commission to the house resolution asking information regarding the alleged combine of the Pennsylvania, Baltimore and Ohio and other railroads. It states that the only definite facts known to the commission bearing on the subject are those appearing in the annual reports of the companies named. It says, however, that the Pennsylvania Railroad company, with an outstanding capital of \$302,513,300, appears to control and is understood to control the lines embraced in the Pennsylvania system, so called, with a mileage of 10,000,999.86. But in this system the B. and O., the Norfolk and Western and the Chesapeake and Ohio are not included. The report shows that the Pennsylvania owns a large but not controlling interest in these three companies. As to whether these facts tend to show a violation of

law the commission expresses no opinion, as it "has no authority to determine a question arising thereunder."

Representative Gillespie of Missouri, the Democrat who brought up the inquiry, said he would next call upon the department of commerce and labor for the facts and that if this did not bring them he would ask the house to make a thorough investigation of its own.

Wallace Complains of Cromwell. John F. Wallace, former chief engineer of the Isthmian canal commission, while testifying before the senate canal committee last week said that his principal reason for resigning his office was the prominence of William Nelson Cromwell in canal affairs without any official status to justify it. He said that Cromwell had the president's ear to such a degree that everybody else was subordinate to him. Cromwell he considered a dangerous man because he had negotiated the sale of the canal property, was the fiscal agent of Panama and promoted the revolution. He had encountered Cromwell at every stage of the game, and when he came home to shake Cromwell off it was the latter who met him at the dock and was present at his interview with Secretary Taft. Besides all this, Mr. Wallace felt that Chairman Shonts, whom he regarded as "no engineer and an inferior executive," was encroaching upon his (Wallace's) province.

A Permanent Hague Tribunal. Representative Bartholdt of Missouri, president of the International Parliamentary union, has introduced a resolution to instruct the delegates to the second Hague conference to favor the negotiation of arbitration treaties and the establishment of an international congress to convene periodically.

Alleged "Joker" in Treaty. While the fate of the Santo Domingo treaty still hung in the balance owing to the defection of certain members of the senate minority, attention was called to a clause in article 1 carrying the obligation to secure millions of scrip issued by the Dominican revolutionists. The intention of the president was that money collected from the island's customs should be used in settlement of foreign claims only and the including of domestic obligations would bring into the deal between \$8,000,000 and \$9,000,000 of the deferred debt, scrip which has been valued as low as 5 cents on a dollar.

President Defends the Private. In a letter to Secretary of War Taft President Roosevelt approves the reduction of Lieutenant Taylor for slighting a private soldier. The offense occurred at a theater when Lieutenant Taylor, who was with ladies, asked a private sitting near to take a rear seat on the theory that it was not well for an enlisted man to overhear the conversation between him and the ladies. The president says that Lieutenant Taylor committed one of the most serious faults which any officer can commit and one that is altogether exceptional in the army. The president dwells at length upon the honor which should be accorded to the enlisted men by officers and citizens alike. He regards the uniform of the enlisted man as a badge of honor.

President Pardons Hazer. In a letter to the chairmen of the house and senate committees on naval affairs President Roosevelt says he has pardoned John Paul Miller, a Naval academy midshipman who recently was dismissed for hazing, and ordered his reinstatement. He regards the dismissal as too great a punishment for such an offense and thinks that the law requiring court martial in such cases should be changed. Nevertheless he disapproves of hazing and agrees that the practice should be eradicated.

In Favor of the Lock Canal. The Isthmian canal commission has endorsed the minority report of the board of consulting engineers, which is in favor of the lock canal. The only dissenting member of the commission is Rear Admiral Edcott.

The Navy's New Torpedo. The high speed turbine self propelling torpedo, known as the Bliss-Leavitt, has been adopted by the United States navy. It travels through the water at the rate of thirty-six knots an hour and has an extreme range of 4,000 yards. Its speed is eight knots faster than the Whitehead torpedo, and its distance nearly double. The torpedo is fired from a pneumatic tube twenty feet in length, 2,250 pounds of compressed air being required.

Douma to Meet April 28. The popular outcry in Russia against the delay in the assembling of the douma has apparently had the effect of causing the government to announce that the elections will be held April 27 and the douma will assemble April 28.

It was reported that General Grodekoff, who became known as the "butcher" for his ruthless measures in repressing the Boxer rebellion while serving as governor of the Amur, had been appointed viceroy of Russia's far eastern provinces. The Russian minister to China is said to be discussing a treaty looking to the opening of Manchuria to the commerce of the world, Russia to have mining concessions in Mongolia and commercial privileges in Riga continued to wage a desperate war against the authorities, although the remote regions of the Baltic provinces were said to be generally subdued.

Japan's Criticism of England. The Japanese government has disavowed any intention to distrust its ally, Great Britain, on account of the recent interpolation by the leader of the Progressist party as to whether England had reformed its army organization.

Man Who Defied Castro Here. M. Olivier Taigny, who as charge d'affaires for France at Caracas was barred out of the country by President Castro, has come to Washington to consult with Ambassador Jusserand. He is reported as saying that the whole trouble arose from Castro's belief that the French cable company was helping the insurgents under Matos.

Newspaper Secrets Safe. The British court of appeal has decided that newspapers may not be compelled to divulge their source of information except under very special circumstances.

Roberts Wants 1,000,000 Men. Field Marshal Lord Roberts, in view of the Liberal triumph, has renewed his campaign of warning to the British public concerning the inadequate defenses. He urges the adoption of 1,000,000 men as a military standard, one-half for the defense of India and the other half to maintain British prestige in Europe.

For a Chinese Republic. The Rev. S. P. Little, who has just returned from the Episcopal mission at Kanchau, China, says that the revolutionary party, agitated by young men who have been at the University of Japan, is seeking to drive China into a conflict with the powers in the hope of establishing a republican form of government. Their motto is "China for the Chinese." Dr. Little thinks that the Japanese are as much alarmed over the situation as are the Americans.

Revising German Election Laws. The recent general strike in the city of Hamburg, Germany, followed by some rioting, and the threatened outbreak at Berlin and other points, which were checked by the concentration of troops, is due to the decision of the Conservative party leaders to revise the elections laws so as to head off the rapid growth of the Socialists.

Moody Defends Garfield. Attorney General Moody was in personal direction of the packers' trial at Chicago, and he denied squarely that he had made use of confidential evidence secured by Commissioner Garfield.

Jail For Mental Healer. Helen M. Post, the noted head of the mental science concern at Sea Breeze, Fla., has been convicted in the United States court at Jacksonville on the charge of using the mails for fraudulent purposes in offering to cure disease by what is known as the "absent treatment." Her patients resided in every state in the Union. Her first conviction occurred about two years ago, when the case was appealed. She has been sentenced to pay a fine of \$500 and serve thirty days in jail. Mrs. Post is seventy-five years old.

Fake Brokers and Bankers. On the charge of conspiracy in using the mails to defraud, John T. White, president of the Imperial Trust company of Jersey City; Robert Ruxton and Clyde Colt, known as New York brokers, together with Foster Hopper of a Boston concern known as the Hanover bank, and Frederick Waugh, with an office in Philadelphia, were arrested by Marshal Henkle of New York. The postal authorities say that these men have swindled corporations out of hundreds of thousands of dollars for guaranteeing the underwriting of bond issues of newly organized companies. Contracts were made to float millions of bonds without selling one.

Critic Metcalfe Gains a Point. The case of James S. Metcalfe, dramatic critic for Life, who caused the arrest of several New York theater managers for conspiracy in barring him from their theaters, gained another point when Justice Fitzgerald of the supreme court decided in the test case against Manager Burnham of Wallack's that the city magistrate had held him legally pending an examination on the conspiracy charge. The interesting part of the decision is that the collective rights of the managers in agreement to debar Metcalfe could not be measured by the nature of their individual rights in respect to individual acts. The judge also thinks that the possession of a ticket is evidence of the existence of contractual rights and obligations between the holder and the manager of the theater, and an agreement to ignore and repudiate such contract and deprive the holder of his right to occupy a seat and witness the performance may constitute an actionable wrong. The police court hearing would therefore have to proceed.

EDUCATIONAL

For a Chair of Civilization. Among a number of gifts announced at the annual meeting of Columbia university trustees the largest was that of \$150,000 from Mrs. Maria H. Williamson of New York to establish a professorship on the origin and growth of civilization in memory of Edward R. Carpenter. George Blumenthal, a banker, gave \$100,000 for the endowment of a chair of politics, with the object of giving instruction in government and citizenship.

A Card. We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 50-cent bottle of Greene's Warranted Syrup of Tar if it fails to cure your cough or cold. We also guarantee a 25-cent bottle to prove satisfactory or money refunded.

ARTHUR BLISS, Andover.
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METHUEN.

NATIVE OF METHUEN HONORED.

Col. J. Payson Bradley, a native of Methuen, and well known in this town, was Tuesday elected department commander of the department of Massachusetts Grand Army of the Republic. Col. Bradley has always been interested in the G. A. R., and prominently connected with it since the war, and the honors are well deserved.

Col. Bradley is the son of Capt. Leverett and Catherine (Frye) Bradley. He was born in Methuen, June 7, 1843. His paternal ancestors were among the early settlers of Haverhill, and took an active part in the defense of that town during the Indian wars. His great grandfather, Enoch Bradley, was an officer during the revolutionary war, and on his mother's side his great-grandfather, Col. James Frye, of Andover, commanded the 4th Essex regiment, at the battle of Bunker Hill and died from wounds received in that engagement.

His grandfather was a captain of dragoons in the old militia days, and his father, a captain in the old 6th Massachusetts, and later in the war for the union.

Col. Bradley was educated in the public schools of his native town and the city of Lawrence. At the breaking out of the Civil war he was not yet 12 years of age, together with a brother less than 15, went to the front with the 14th Massachusetts Infantry, and at Washington during the summer of 1861 both enlisted in company B of that regiment for the war.

In 1862 the regiment was changed to the 1st Massachusetts heavy artillery, and he became bugler of his battery. After the Gettysburg campaign the battery rejoined the regiment at Arlington, which took the field as infantry, and he became its bugler, although carrying a rifle, and was present with it in all its engagements until sent home disabled, almost at the close of the war. His own company in the Wilderness campaign lost 74 men killed and wounded.

On the day of the fatal "Crater" disaster, during the siege of Petersburg, Vt., he distinguished himself by carrying water through a hailstorm of bullets to his suffering comrades.

After the war he returned to Boston, joined the volunteer militia, and became adjutant of the 1st battalion of cavalry.

He is a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery company, was its adjutant in 1888 and 1889, and when the company visited England in 1889, he carried the national colors, being the first man to carry the American flag under arms in the streets of London, and into Windsor Castle before the Queen.

In 1897 he was elected commander of the company, and on the same year was appointed by Gov. Roger Wolcott assistant adjutant-general on his staff, where he served three years, with the rank of colonel, this service covering the time of the Spanish-American war.

Col. Bradley joined the Grand Army of the Republic early in its history, and was a charter member, and the third commander of Dahlgren post 2, G. A. R., and has been a worker in the order from the very beginning. He has never accepted any elective position in city affairs, but was appointed and served as chairman of the Boston school house commission the first year of its existence.

Col. Bradley is married and has three children living, is active in mercantile affairs, being engaged in the production of petroleum, and also the oil business with the Kehew-Bradley company. He is a trustee of the Boston Savings bank and a director in several organizations; is president of the Dahlgren Memorial hall association; a member of the Congregational club, the Bostonian society, American Historical society, Military Historical society of Massachusetts, the New Algonquin club, Columbia lodge, F. A. M., the Boston Young Men's Christian Union, and the Phillips Congregational church.

SUCCESSFUL MUSICAL PROGRAM. Every seat was occupied at the Baptist church Sunday night when Dudley Euck's 46th Psalm was rendered by the choir, under the leadership of G. William Kenison. The music was well rendered; the concert being considered one of the best ever given at the church. The regular chorus was assisted by Willis Hutchins of Brookline as bass soloist.

Rev. R. B. Fisher delivered an able and interesting address on Lincoln, reading the Governor's proclamation regarding the observance of Lincoln's birthday and giving a concise sketch of the great war president. He concluded his remarks with an account of the movement now on foot to make the old Lincoln home in Kentucky the birthplace of the martyred president, a national park.

Rev. Mr. Wolcott of the Methodist church pronounced the benediction. Following is the program: Prelude—Fantasia. Trous Hymn Responsive Reading, No. 21 Prayer Psalm Forty-sixth. Dudley Buck Chorus: "God is Our Refuge and Strength."

Soprano solo and double quartet: "There is a River." Mrs. Kenison, soprano solo; Mrs. Price Miss Bodwell, Miss Averill, Mr. Moore, Mr. Maguire, Mr. Wood and Mr. Klenke.

Excitative and Bass solo "The Heavens Raged." Mr. Willis Hutchins. Chorus, "The Lord of Hosts is with Us." Address, Rev. Robert B. Fisher. Offertory: "Chorus of Angels." Clark

Tenor solo, "O Come Hither and Behold the Works of the Lord," Mr. G. W. Kenison. Quartet, "Be Still Then, and Know That He is God." Mrs. Kenison, Miss Tetley, Mr. Hutchins, Mr. Kenison.

Chorus, "The Lord of Hosts is With Us. Amen." Hymn. Benediction. Postlude: "Grand Triumphal March, Knaba.

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Local Politics.

Not for many years has the local political sea seemed to be so unruffled as it is this year. Of course there is time yet for a generous portion of excitement before the election, but it looks as if things would go on very smoothly.

So far as can be learned the Board of Selectmen is likely to be practically undisturbed. No definite announcement of any opposition has been made by any other candidates, and the strength of the present members would seem to be sufficient to assure their reelection against any likely aspirants. The work of the Board during the past year has gone on in a very even way, and there has been little opportunity for friction or trouble of the kind that sometimes disturbs the peace of mind of town fathers. This has been a piece of good fortune for the present members at this time, as it has been all the year for the citizens.

The retirement of John L. Smith from the Board of Public Works leaves a vacancy that calls for a first-class man. The office is not an attractive one because of the enolument of it, but it is a place where a good man can give to the town the sort of service that the right kind of public spirit inspires. The Board has long been maintained by men of splendid character, and we may have no fear but that a worthy successor of Mr. Smith will be found.

The School Board will have three vacancies through expired terms of Messrs. Shearer, Clark, and Eaton. The first named is not a candidate for reelection, and the other two are. Of the reelection of Messrs. Clark and Eaton there should be no shadow of doubt. Both are peculiarly fitted for places on the School Board, and have proven their fitness by terms of service marked by splendid work as committee men. For Mr. Shearer's place there are suggestions of several men, but so far only one name has been proposed formally and that is Albert W. Lowe, the druggist, whose papers have been taken out. Mr. Lowe is a graduate of Pynchard, and his friends consider him well fitted for a place on the Board. It seems to be generally understood that John H. McDonald, who made such a strong run last year, will again be a candidate. While his strength last year was expected to be confined to the support of one particular portion of the town, he undoubtedly received splendid endorsement among all classes of our people. He is a young man of excellent character, has many friends, and would be sure of a strong support if he enters the contest. There may be still others before the ballot is closed.

For the other positions no suggestion of change is heard. Tax Collector Higgins was the only new official last year, and he has taken hold of the work of his office in a way that promises a long and satisfactory administration. That a more rapid clear-up has not been made of some of the old accounts has troubled some citizens, but the start has been made in what is pretty sure to be a manner satisfactory to the large majority.

As to appropriations, there is almost no suggestion of any extraordinary demand. This condition of affairs will greatly please the taxpayer, and is gratifying to us all. This condition may with wisdom allow us to increase some of the appropriations that involve the finish of particular projects in which the town is already interested, but should not justify any marked increases in the regular maintenance appropriations. All in all Andover's March meeting promises to be a welcome quiet time.

Editorial Cinders.

We heard somebody querying the other day, "Who will be moderator this year?" And the answer then is the answer here, that the same honorable, efficient gentleman would be delighted to again serve and the town will be delighted to have him. A winter's residence in Boston may have lost the genial judge to us for a time, but let us hope that the March meeting will be the first sign of Spring that will bring him back. We nominate him for moderator and for a returned resident by acclamation.

Andover regretted that Sir Chentung, the Chinese minister, and his distinguished party, didn't spend a few hours at the old school of that distinguished gentleman, and so did he himself. But it was a flying visit with manufacturing interests the chief object of their travel, and Lawrence gained what Andover lost. Sir Chentung's assurance that he should send two of his boys here within a few years compensates a little in the surety that he will then come to Andover frequently.

The annual meeting of the Smith & Dove Manufacturing Co. was held this morning. The following officers were chosen: President, Peter D. Smith; treasurer, George F. Smith; assistant treasurer, John W. Bell; directors, Peter D. Smith, George F. Smith, John W. Bell, George H. Torr, John A. Blanchard.

OLD HOME NIGHT

Andover Grange, P. of H., Observed Old Home Night with an Interesting Program, Followed by a Supper.

Old Home Night was fittingly observed by the Andover Grange on Tuesday evening. It was one of the many good times that can be recorded by that popular organization, and it will be long remembered as one of the best ever held. There was, as usual, a large attendance, many being invited guests of the members or intending members.

The evening proved valuable not only for the social features, but for renewing the strong bond of fellowship between the members and reviewing the work of the past years. There were also other reasons why the meeting should be long remembered, and these were for the fine lecture given by Hon. M. A. Morse, of Belchertown, and for the excellent supper which followed.

The lecture by Mr. Morse was centered on the boys and girls of the farm, and he gave some very good advice to the fathers and mothers who were present. His talk was interwoven with many illustrations and witticisms, and he kept the audience in good spirits through it all. He was strongly in favor of keeping the young men on the farm, as he thought that there were more valuable opportunities presented to the farmer than to any other class of business men. The evils of a city, he said, had ruined too many country bred boys who might have been a credit to the community had they remained on the farm.

Mrs. J. A. Morrill gave some reminiscences of the birth, growth and strength of the Grange, which showed that from a struggling order, formed in the vestry of the West church, it had grown to one of the most influential in Andover. Some very clever hits were made, which were taken good naturedly by the members, and several times Mrs. Morrill was interrupted by peals of laughter.

Misses Caroline Burt and Cynthia Flint beautifully rendered a vocal duet and were compelled to respond with an encore. Charles H. Newton and Miss Eva Hardy furnished the instrumental music, which was of the usual high order.

Following this part of the program came the supper in the banquet hall. Grange suppers are too well known to need any comment, and this one was no exception. Oysters, cold meats, rolls, coffee, pie, cake and fruit made up the menu, and it was served by the young people of the order. The committee who had it in charge consisted of Mr. and Mrs. Milo H. Gould, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hardy, and William Flint.

On returning to the upper hall a half hour was enjoyed in a social way, and then all returned to their homes feeling that this had been one of the gala nights in the Grange's history.

A Russian Honeymoon.

The annual play given by the dramatic department of the November club was held in the club house on Monday afternoon before a large audience of club members who thoroughly enjoyed it. The title was "A Russian Honeymoon" and the scene was in Russian Poland. The acting was of the usual high standard and the actors all deserved the praise which they were accorded.

The appropriate settings of the stage added to the dignity and beauty of the play and helped make it one of the best ever given by the club.

Following was the cast:
Alexis Petrovitch, A young man—(Afterward Gustave, Count Woroffski).
Poleska, his wife.
Ivan, a master shoemaker.
Michelle his daughter.
Kouloff Demetrotitch, Lieutenant of the Chateau Woroffski.
Osp, a young peasant.
Guards, peasants, retainers, etc.

Act first and second. A room in the house of Ivan the Shoemaker.
Act third—A drawing room in the Chateau of Count Woroffski.

Russian music was rendered by members of the music department between the acts.

Report on Phillips Will.

Allen P. White who was appointed master in the petition of the trustees of Phillips Academy to determine what to do with trust funds left by the late Hon. Samuel Phillips of Andover, has filed his report in the supreme court. The will provided for a bequest of \$4000 to purchase religious books, and a portion of the income to be expended for the benefit of the school teachers of Andover. Since the will was drawn the town has been divided, a portion being set off as North Andover, a portion as Lawrence and a portion annexed to Tewksbury. Lawrence and Tewksbury have disclaimed any interest in the fund. As conditions have changed it was also found impossible to carry out the direct provisions of the will.

Mr. White suggests that 60 per cent of the fund be apportioned to Andover and 40 per cent to North Andover, and that trust funds in both towns be established, the income to be used for the purchase of books of special interest to teachers, the books to be kept in the Memorial hall library in Andover and the North Andover public library.

The Andover fund would be \$2000 and the North Andover fund \$1200 leaving North Andover a balance of \$114 for immediate use.

Forty-one Andover female teachers and 25 North Andover female teachers will benefit by the fund.

In Honor of Lincoln.

The last period of Monday's session at Pynchard was devoted to the exercises in honor of Lincoln. The exercises were brief, as there was not much time given to prepare but they were enjoyed by all present. The program follows:

Opening remarks Principal Curtis
America School
Emancipation Proclamation Miss Cynthia Flint
Lincoln's Gettysburg Address
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Installation of Andover Council.

About 500 members of the Knights of Columbus gathered in Saunders hall Sunday afternoon and witnessed the installation exercises of the recently organized council of Andover. It was one of the best exemplifications of the work of installation ever given in this vicinity and District Deputy Grand Knight Daniel Buckley and his suite from North Andover were heartily congratulated.

The officers installed were: James H. McDonald, grand knight; James J. Brogan, deputy grand knight; Rev. John McGowan, chaplain; Patrick J. Barrett, financial secretary; William L. McDonald, recording secretary; Timothy J. Mahoney, lecturer; Frank McManus, advocate; James Green, warden; Joseph T. Lynch, James J. Scott and William J. Burns, trustees.

Knights were present from Marlboro, Lynn, Salem, Haverhill, Lowell and Amesbury, and the local Knights were honored by a visit from the state deputy, Joseph C. Pelletier of Boston, and State Chaplain Rev. James N. Supple of Charlestown. Deputy Buckley was assisted in the work by Deputies Edward L. Arundel of this city, James J. Donohue, Lynn; Dr. C. A. Eagan, Marlboro; and Lewis Watson, Boston. Capt. D. J. Gorman of the fourth degree was also present. The officers of St. Mary's council, 559, of Lawrence assisted, as did an excellent quartet from Boston.

Social at Free Church.

On account of the inclement weather there was not a very large attendance at the social of the Ladies' Benevolent society in the Free church vestry last night. It was a very appreciative audience however and an excellent program of instrumental and vocal music was given, several of the participants being obliged to respond to encores. The farmer's chorus was especially good and caused much mirth.

The program was as follows:

Piano—four hands,
a March of the Little Men.
b Hush-a-bye.
Gladys Higgins, James P. Christie.
Violin and Piano,
a Cradle Song.
b Polish Dance.
Miss Cox, Miss Smart.
Piano solo, The Skylark.
Eric Wilson.
Vocal solo with violin obligato—Adoration.
Mrs. H. Goff, Miss Cox.
Miss Smart, accompanist.
Violin and piano—Andante Pathétique.
Miss Cox, Miss Smart.
FARMER'S CHORUS.
Tune—Auld Lang Syne.
Farmer, James May; farmer's wife, Miss Scott; farmer's girl, Mira Wilson; farmer's boy, Eric Wilson; grandmother, Mrs. James May; dairymaid, Miriam Clark; wood sawer, Gordon F. May; housemaid, Miss Howell; carpenter, Arthur Jackson; cornetist, Miss Findley.

Pynchard Alumni Meeting.

The following circular has been sent to the members of the Pynchard Alumni Association regarding the annual meeting which occurs this evening:
"The Pynchard Alumni Association invites you to be present at the regular annual meeting to be held in Pynchard hall, Friday evening, Feb. 16, 1906. The business meeting will be called to order at 7.45. This will be followed by an entertainment, refreshments and dancing. The Senior class has kindly consented to repeat 'The Mouse Trap,' which they so successfully presented earlier in the season.

As a past member of the school, 50 cents will entitle you to membership in the society, a ticket to the annual meeting, and two tickets to the June reception. Husbands and wives of Alumni will be welcome. Subscription, 50 cents." These tickets are not transferable. Only past members of the school, their husbands and wives, teachers in the Pynchard school, and specially invited guests will be admitted.

Found Dead in Room.

Michael O'Connor, the well known stone mason, was found dead in his room at the Imperial house on Wednesday afternoon about three o'clock and on investigation by the police it was found that death had evidently been caused by strangulation.

The discovery was made by Miss Mary Kane, an employee of the hotel, as she was about to enter the room to do the daily work. A rap at the door failed to bring a response and on attempting to open it she found that the dead body was lodged against it in a standing position. Thinking that O'Connor was fooling her she spoke to him, but as he did not answer she immediately notified Mrs. Judge, the proprietor, who at once called in Chief Frye who, on investigation, found that O'Connor had evidently died of strangulation as his head was in such a position that it would have been impossible for him to breathe. The cords of his neck were strained and his face had turned black, thus proving the fact.

O'Connor had been a roomer at the Imperial house for some time and it is said has been drinking hard lately. On Tuesday night he came in at eight o'clock and went to his room. For a short time he could be heard walking about, and Mrs. Judge heard him between half past three and four the morning of his death. After that no more was heard of him, and it is thought that he died about this time.

The body was taken to Lawrence on Thursday morning by undertaker Mahoney where it was viewed by medical examiner Dow who corroborated the statement made by Chief Frye regarding the cause of death.

The deceased is survived by three sons and one daughter. He was about 39 years old and was a native of Ireland. The funeral was held this morning from the undertaking rooms of M. J. Mahoney. Mass was celebrated at 9 a. m. in St. Augustine's church, and interment was in St. Augustine's cemetery.

Guild Meeting.

The regular meeting of the directors of the Guild was held on Tuesday evening, Feb. 13, at the Guild house. Reports from all the departments were read.

The treasurer reported an active month but the balance in the treasury showed that continued activity was possible. The superintendent spoke again of the usefulness of the Emergency closet, in bringing comfort and help to twelve sick persons during the last month.

The girls' club finds dress-making very interesting but finds time for fun also, as when the boys' club was invited to spend the evening with the girls.

The boys' club has organized with a governing board from its own members and gives promise of an orderly and healthy development. The Stod workers are ready for orders and the cane seaters for work to do.

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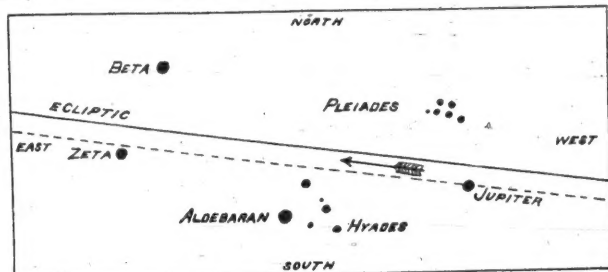
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The planet Jupiter is very favorably situated for tracing its eastward motion among the stars. It is now West of a line joining the Pleiades and Aldebaran. In a short time its eastward motion will bring it to this line. It will then continue on its course passing between Beta and Zeta of the constellation Taurus. The accompanying rough diagram illustrates the above statement. Jupiter is near the ecliptic and will move in a line nearly parallel to the ecliptic as indicated by the dotted line and arrow in the diagram.

Even a person who is not familiar with the constellations will have no difficulty

in following this movement of Jupiter. Below the Pleiades are five stars so placed as to form the letter V. These five stars are the brightest of the cluster called the Hyades. The most brilliant star of these five is on the top of the V and is called Aldebaran. Beta and Zeta are easily found by the aid of the diagram.

This movement of Jupiter can now be followed for about three months. Jupiter will then be near the horizon at sunset for observation.

Jupiter completes its revolution about the sun in about twelve years, passing in that time through the twelve constellations of the Zodiac averaging about a year to one constellation. Jupiter is now entering the constellation Taurus and will be in that constellation for less than a year.

Obituaries.

WALTER GARSIDE.

Walter Garside died suddenly Saturday morning at the home of his son-in-law, Assistant City Marshal Thomas Wilkinson, on Grove street, Dover, N.H., aged 82 years. He was born at Oldham, England, April 16, 1824, and came to America in 1857, settling at Andover. He lived here in Lawrence until 38 years ago, when he went to Dover. He and his wife observed the 40th anniversary of their marriage in 1903. Mr. Garside had been an Odd Fellow more than 50 years, having joined The Manchester Unity. He was affiliated with Wechmet lodge of Dover. He is survived by his wife, three daughters and four sons. Mr. Garside leaves relatives in Andover and in North Andover. The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon from the home of Mr. Wilkinson and interment was in Dover.

GEORGE A. W. VINALL.

The death of Dr. George A. W. Vinall, a former resident of this town, occurred at his home at 46 Bancroft street, Reading, on last Friday, at the ripe old age of 72 years, three months and 23 days. The deceased will be remembered by many of the older residents of the town having been for many years a dentist here. He was the son of Dr. William D. Vinall. The funeral was held from his late home on Monday in which the Rev. G. A. R. took part. The body was taken to Lowell and interment was in Edison cemetery.

MRS. MARTHA E. AYERS.

Mrs. Martha E. Ayers, wife of Eli Ayers, passed away, at her home, 79 Stevens street, on Monday afternoon, at the age of 44 years. Mrs. Ayers had been sick for a long time but had borne her pain with great fortitude, hoping that in time she would be restored to perfect health but odds were against her and after making a brave fight she passed away. Her death is particularly sad as she leaves a family of young children.

The deceased was born in England where she spent her younger days afterward coming to this country. For about seven years her home has been in Andover where she has made many friends who will miss her. She was a member of the Free church but her home cares and later her long illness did not permit her to take an active part in the work of the church although her interest for its welfare was manifest.

The funeral was held from her late home yesterday afternoon at two o'clock, her pastor, Rev. F. A. Wilson conducting the service. Interment was in Spring Grove cemetery.

The flowers sent were as follows: Cross and crown from family; gates ajar from employees of weave room, Marland Mills; standing wreath from overseers of Marland Mills; wreath from Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Payne; Mr. and Mrs. William Birch; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cox; Mr. and Mrs. F. Ingram; basket of flowers from Dr. Bradley; sprays from the Free church choir; Miss Anna Chase

Wedding.

LESLIE-COLE.

An informal valentine wedding took place Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at 34 Thorndike street, Lawrence. The contracting parties were Miss Maude Marion Cole and William Leslie, both of Andover.

The bride is the daughter of George S. Cole, a sister of Stephen John S. Cole and of Mrs. E. S. Gould, at whose home the wedding was solemnized.

The groom has a position with Dean & Main, architects, Boston. Yellow jonquils and red and white tulips banked the mantels and tables of the Gould residence, being used with profusion and with charming effect in the dining room. The bride couple came down stairs at 4 o'clock to the music of a wedding march played by Miss Beatrice Bodwell of Providence, R. I.

Miss Marion Gould, niece of the bride was flower girl. A corner of the parlor was banked with palms and ferns, before which the bride and groom stood while the Rev. Frank R. Shipman, pastor of the Old South church, Andover, of which both the bride and groom are members and where she has been organist for several years. The bride's gown was white point de esprit over white tulle, trimmed with black velvet hat trimmed with black plumes and pink roses. The presents were very numerous and included many exquisite pieces of cut glass, silver, china, bric-a-brac and several handsome pieces of furniture. The home, moon will probably be spent at the ancestral homestead in Boxford, after which Mr. and Mrs. Leslie will reside at 297 High street, this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie have the best wishes of a host of friends in this city and Andover for a long and happy married life. The guests numbered about 30 and included only the immediate relatives of the happy couple and a few very intimate friends.

and class '06 Stowe school, room 4 Indian Ridge school, Mrs. Robert Hill, Mr. Marshman, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Gray and family, Mrs. John Whitehead, Mr. and Mrs. Seth Taylor, Mrs. Faulkner, Mr. and Mrs. Albright, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Strout, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sterling.

Lawyer—Where did he kiss you?
Pretty Plaintiff—On the mouth, sir.
Lawyer—No, no! You don't understand. I mean where were you?
Pretty Plaintiff (blushing)—In his arms, sir.—Pick-Me-Up.

A Sermon before Confirmation.

Preached in Christ Church, February 4,
by Rev. Frederic Palmer.

Ps 40: 7, 8.—"Then said I, Lo, I come; in the volume of the book it is written of me: I delight to do Thy will, O my God; yea, Thy law is within my heart."

That marked a tremendous discovery for the Psalmist, and an outburst of joy such as a liberating discovery always brings. How inspiring it is to see an earnest soul rewarded with light! This Psalmist was an earnest soul, eagerly seeking his duty, and getting from the religion of his day, like Saint Paul, only an unsatisfactory answer in being told to do this, that, and the other act of ceremonial worship. It is hard for us to realize the profound insight and sturdy break with custom which were necessary to tear aside the husk of ceremonial and get at the spiritual kernel within. Of course many a pious worshiper had no need to tear the husk. As the blood flowed from the throat of the lamb he brought to the temple, and the smoke of the burning sacrifice rose, he felt instinctively within an up-lifting of himself to God. Where devoutness is strong and asks few questions, the character of the ritual or the doctrine in which it expresses itself is of little importance to it. It can adapt itself to any. And so we have that strange but comforting sight of degraded forms of religion nourishing genuine and fervent piety. But where spirituality is expanded and asking intelligence to answer its questions, it is apt to bring into court the forms of religious life in which it has been trained; and then if they are crude and antiquated, they are thrown aside in the interest of others more directly spiritual. Such a process we always praise in the past and draw back from with alarm in the present.

The author of this 40th Psalm had been brought up under the old Jewish sacrificial system. He had been taught to bring his sin-offering and his trespass-offering at the proper times, and to mark the stated occasions of public joy by a thank-offering. But the emptiness, the deadening effect of it, oppressed him. As long as the ceremonial acts were performed, nothing was said about the spiritual attitude of the performer. He wanted peace with God. Was not that too great a thing to be bought by so many calves or goats? And then it flashed upon him that to give himself was the greatest sacrifice, so great as to include all others and to render them needless. And when he turned to the recently issued edition of the Law of Moses, which we call Deuteronomy, there was its grand and comprehensive summary saying the same thing to him—"Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart and with all thy soul and with all thy might." Yes, in the volume of the book it was written for him. But what daring it must have required to utter his conviction in the face of the religious customs of his day! Yet he does it, not timorously but triumphantly. "Sacrifice and offering Thou dost not desire. Now that my eyes are opened I see that burnt-offering and sin-offering Thou dost not require. So I said to myself: Here am I; I give myself. I delight to do Thy will, O my God; yea, Thy law is written not only in the volume of the book but within my heart."

How he exulted as he said "Lo, I come!" It was his all, his best, himself, that he was proudly giving. Just as a woman who has been keeping herself for her future lover exults in lavishing herself at last wholly upon him; just as a soldier dying on a battle-field looks up to his flag and rejoices that his sacrifice of himself is complete; so the Psalmist turns to God and joyfully exclaims, "Lo, I come to do Thy will, O my God!"

What song could be fitter for us all as we come here next Wednesday evening and take part in the service of Confirmation? I say, for us all. For it is not those only who are to be confirmed for whom the occasion has significance. For confirmation is the festival of Purpose; and whether we have been confirmed or not, it holds up before us the power of Purpose and the efficiency and joy it brings, and says to us, "See; does this rule life for you? If it does, all things are yours."

That is a discovery which many persons—some of them too, confirmed—have never made; the discovery, I mean, of the joy and strength which come where life is ruled by one principle. They have no central government, but are dominated, as it were, by tribal factions. Now they have a serious aim which holds for awhile, and then a whim of fancy shies for awhile, and then a whim of strenuous business, and then they get tired and drop it and idle; now they bend every exertion to some established end, and then they seem to forget that they ever had such an end in view. Of course it is the case with all of us that our energy sometimes slackens and we do not keep up a perfectly even pace. But most of us mean to. Our steps may be variable but our purpose is steady. But with these persons of whom I am speaking there is no main purpose acknowledged as dominant. They may have a dozen different ones, and feel no shame in so having. For they never have discovered how much further and higher a rocket goes than does a fireworks serpent.

That is a law of life which covers not only religion but business and every other activity. Choose your goal, fix your eye on it, drive steadily towards it—that is the receipt for accomplishment of any kind. It is the key to all doors. It will give success in a bad cause as well as in a good one. But it is so important to have it and be able to use it, that it is better to use it even for a bad end than not to use it at all. That sounds strange when we realize what it means. Is it actually the case that the professional burglar is better than the insignificant person of vacillating impulses who never held to one of them long enough to do harm with it? The voice of the world answers that the weak good man generally does as much harm as the strong bad one, or more. Yet we should have drawn back from trusting the world's dictum here if it had not been confirmed by the words of our Lord. The person for whom He has perhaps the least tolerance is the man who has done nothing; who has not fed the hungry and clothed the naked, who has not had courage enough to take the risks of legitimate business. Divine did not oppress Lazarus; he simply did not notice him. The children of this world are wiser in their generation than the children of light.

The reason of this apparent paradox is that if you have a train fully equipped and under way, even if it is going in the wrong direction, you can perhaps switch

A. V. I. S. ANNU'L.

Meeting Held in Pumphard Hall Monday Evening Attended by a Large and Appreciative Audience.

Pumphard hall was filled on Monday evening with members of the A. V. I. S. and invited friends to hear the reports of the secretary and treasurer and elect officers for the ensuing year. To the majority, however, this was not the most interesting part of the program, as the announcement that there would be shown and explained a series of stereoscopic views of Andover drew the largest audience ever recorded at a meeting of this organization.

There was an unusually large number of school children present to enjoy and profit by the pictures and their explanation.

The meeting was called to order by President George T. Eaton at 8 o'clock, and he extended a cordial greeting to the members and friends.

The report of the nominating committee was then read by Frederic S. Boutwell, as follows: President, George T. Eaton; vice-presidents, Rev. F. A. Wilson, William G. Goldsmith, Miss Alice Buck; secretary, Miss Emma J. Lincoln; treasurer, Mrs. Frances W. Abbott; directors, Samuel D. Stevens; Mrs. Lillian J. Scott, Joseph A. Smart, Miss Nellie H. Farmer, John N. Cole, Mrs. Fannie S. Smith, J. D. Fairweather, Miss Agnes Park, Charles L. Carter, Miss Lucia F. Clarke, Herbert F. Chase, Miss Julia E. Twichell, Mrs. Dora E. Messer, Miss Edith M. Tyler, Edwin T. Brewster.

Charles W. Clark was appointed by the hall to collect, sort, and count the ballots for the election of these officers, and it was found that they were unanimously elected.

The treasurer's report was then read by Mrs. Frances W. Abbott, which showed that although an unusually large amount of work had been done during the past year, there was still a goodly sum left in the treasury. It was as follows:

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Feb. 14, 1905,	\$164 20
Membership fees,	78 50
Life membership fees,	20 00
Sustaining membership fees,	15 00
For flower seeds,	22 10
Gifts—	
Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Robinson,	10 00
Mr. Wm. M. Wood,	10 00
Mrs. John Phelps Taylor,	5 00
Mrs. R. A. Carter,	5 00
Mrs. S. C. Dove,	5 00
Mr. W. L. Ropes,	3 00
Mrs. S. M. Downs (in memoriam),	5 00
Total,	\$342 80
159 84	

EXPENDITURES.

Printing,	\$ 10 75
Postage,	6 50
Secretary for stamps,	4 00
Expenses of lecture at annual meeting,	13 00
Janitor and postage at annual meeting,	1 20
Subscription to Garden Magazine,	1 00
Membership in Mass. Civic League,	1 00
Flower seeds,	12 70
School garden prizes,	11 50
Care of Manse Green,	10 00
Care of Marland Village plot,	6 80
Care of The Ledges,	37 98
Rubbish barrels,	10 50
Work on vines at Town House and Memorial Hall,	8 78
Painting seats,	4 00
Destruction of caterpillar belts,	13 00
Deposit in Andover Savings bank, life membership fund,	20 00
Total,	\$159 84

Dep. in Andover Savings bank with int. to date, life membership fund,	\$104 75
Memorial funds—	
Emma Hall Knevals,	\$115 08
Fredrick Holkins Taylor,	62 60
Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Draper,	53 56
Cash on hand as above,	232 20
Total,	\$182 96

Respectfully submitted,
FRANCES W. ABBOTT,
Treasurer.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

Vouchers for all sums expended by the A. V. I. S. have been examined and approved. Cash on hand as of Feb. 1, 1906, is \$182.96, and funds in Savings bank amounting to \$426.05.

(Signed) CLARK CARTER,
BURTON S. FLAGG.

February 9, 1906.

The secretary's report was read by Miss Emma J. Lincoln, which was as follows:

Following is the report of the Andover Village Improvement society for the year ending February 12, 1906—

As we pass our twelfth milestone I think we may very properly "take account of stock" as it were and count up our assets.

First—because it is perhaps the most important—our treasury is in a good condition. We close the year with a fair sized balance. We have a constantly increasing permanent fund, besides memorial funds from the income of which we may draw at any emergency, or for special work.

We have just published our list of members and have been congratulated upon its character. Of course we know it contains the names of our "best people," for are not our own there? We might be included, but we feel that we have the confidence of the community and hope in time to secure a larger membership.

Looked upon as an experiment by many at first, our Society is now accepted as a permanent factor in the development of the town, and the possibilities for work are unlimited.

The constantly increasing interest in every thing out of doors and especially in gardens and in landscape art is felt here in Andover as elsewhere.

Books and magazines relating to these subjects have multiplied rapidly and are greatly in demand.

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Andover Boys' Club.

The fine winter evenings have proved rather tempting and our average attendance has been lowered a little during the three sessions since last we reported. The regular meeting Monday evening adjourned as soon as the business session was over and the members went in a body to attend the stereoscopic lecture in Pumphard hall. Our promised section of reserved seats had disappeared, but the fine views of our town parks and places of interest amply repaid those who were fortunate enough to see them. The ten officers were entertained at 41 Chestnut street, Thursday evening, and anyone who could spend one evening with our representative boys could but admit that the boys' club was worthy of a more general interest on the part of the public than they have had in the past. We are glad to see our friends at the public meetings Monday evenings or Wednesday and Saturday evening to see class work. You will find from twenty-five to thirty-five any time you call.

Birthday Party.

Little Miss Lidwine Curran, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice J. Curran, celebrated her fourth birthday on Saturday. The event was a valentine and birthday party combined. A great many of her little friends with their mothers assembled to meet her. Games were participated in and prizes awarded. The little guests marched to the dining room, which was most artistically and effectively decorated in red and white. Luncheon was served and around the table were many handsome valentine souvenirs. A huge "Jack Horner" pie filled with prizes created great amusement for the little guests. The hostess was the recipient of many beautiful gifts and her little friends on departing wished her many happy birthdays in the future.

A Supplementary Piano Recital at Abbot Academy.

It is hoped that many will be interested in another piano recital which Mr. Downs has been able to arrange.

Miss Ruth Deyo, who has already been heard once or twice in parlor concerts in Andover, has recently returned from a most successful tour in England and in Germany. The musical reviews of her concerts have been most enthusiastic in their praise, nearly everyone considering her talent and her technique quite extraordinary. Miss Deyo is to be in this country but a short time, but she comes gladly back to Andover to play in Davis hall, Abbot Academy, on the afternoon of Thursday, March 1, at four o'clock.

The program will rank with those of the best Abbot Academy recitals, including numbers from Bach, Chopin, Schumann and Grieg. The full program will be printed next week and it is with the pleasant anticipation that we await the coming of Miss Deyo.

Deaths.

In Dover, N. H., Saturday, February 10, Walter Garside, aged 82 years. Funeral Tuesday, interment in Dover.

In Andover, Monday, February 12, Mrs. Eli Evers, aged 44 years. Funeral Tuesday, interment in Spring Grove cemetery.

In Reading, Friday, February 9, Dr. George A. W. Vinall, aged 72 years, 3 months and 23 days. Funeral Monday and interment in Lowell.

In Springfield, February 10, in his 81st year, Paschal P. Emory.

In Waltham, Tuesday, Feb. 13, Elizabeth R. Lowell, wife of Byron Lowell and mother of Mrs. George M. Lindsay of this town. The funeral was held yesterday from her late home in Waltham.

Weather Record.

Temperature taken in the morning between 5 and 7 o'clock and at noon between 12 and 1 o'clock.	
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" 15 4 26	" 15 12 22

Communication.

Dear Charlotte H.:—We have read a great many letters in this paper to men. They have always been about paint. So I am going to write you one about the Bazaar that's coming off next week. That's something new for Andover, isn't it? There haven't been but five or six this year, but this is going to be a good one, and I hope you will go. It won't cost you but 10 cents for the afternoon and 25 cents for the evening. Of course I am not a member, but I don't have anything else talked about from morning till night, and if you can believe one half the dear creatures say, its going to be about the biggest thing that ever struck Andover, on a small scale. They are going to have it right in the clubhouse, and it isn't very large, but they will pack them in some way. Every one is going, and the sale is for everybody, you know. Being Washington's Birthday they are going to have a great many flags, and that always makes you feel happy. There is just one other nation represented, and that's Japan. They are going to have a real tea garden right here in Andover, and little Japs running around selling things, so you don't need to go across the water to get ideas on that country. You will want to buy some candy because it's home-made, and the table is going to be a dream. I think that's what Gladys called it. You know weddings and birthdays are always coming along, and such lovely things as you can find at the fancy articles table. I don't dare to tell you anything how the tables are going to look, because Gladys says there is no use explaining, people will have to see for themselves. Of course Martha Washington is going to be in her parlor selling flowers, with colonial dames to help her. Then there is a domestic table. You will want to take home a glass of jelly—mine is all gone—and you can get some cake, too, so you won't have to stop to make any. The Bazaar has been heard of all over the world, for samples of goods are coming from everywhere, and these will be attractively displayed and sold, and if you are tired you can sit down and have a cup of cocoa. Probably you have heard about the swapping booth. People that have things they don't want can exchange them for the things they like. You might carry the picture I gave you last year, that you told Mary you hated. I think the swapping booth is sort of a glorified grab-bag. There is some talk of the Lemon Lady's coming, but I am afraid she won't get here this time. Of course you will want to stay to the dance in the evening. I tell you it is going to be a big thing. You be sure to go and come and tell me all about it. The doctor says I can't stir out before the last of March.

Your affectionate friend,

LIDDY.

GOSSE PLACED ON PROBATION.

SALEM, Jan. 27.—The case of Stanislaus Gosse of Lawrence, charged with assault on his wife, was called in superior criminal court here today. He was arrested for the offence October 23 last and in police court he was adjudged guilty and sentenced to jail for two months. He appealed then. He pleaded guilty today and on the request of his counsel, Harry R. Lawrence, he was let go on probation.

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RELIGIOUS

Dr. Rainsford's Resignation.

The Rev. W. S. Rainsford, who as pastor of St. George's Protestant Episcopal church, New York, became widely known as the leading exponent of "muscular Christianity," has definitely and finally resigned his pastorate. More than a year ago his health failed, and his resignation was sent from



Egypt, where he is now resting. His congregation is one of the wealthiest in the city, and the church's endowment has been increased during the twenty-two years of his service to \$300,000. His practical parish work was extensive and was carried on by a staff of twenty trained assistants and hundreds of volunteer workers. Dr. Rainsford was especially prominent on account of his open advocacy of beer drinking with meals and his defense of the saloons on rational lines. He was merciless in his criticism of the indolent rich and the wasteful extravagance of the wealthy classes. The Rev. Hugh Birchhead has been called to succeed Dr. Rainsford as pastor of St. George's. He has been one of Dr. Rainsford's chief aides.

Philadelphia Revival Started.

The Torrey-Alexander mission has summoned the Christian population of Philadelphia to join in a record breaking campaign to win people over to the Christian way of living. Hundreds of ministers in the City of Brotherly Love are in this work, enlisting their congregations so far as possible. From the first many persons have responded to the call for converts. A big religious revival is also under way in the city of Pittsburgh, through the combined efforts of thirty-six churches.

Gibbons Assails Socialism.

Cardinal Gibbons in his sermon at the Baltimore cathedral for the month of February attacks the Socialist as a demagogue "who is habitually sowing broadcast the seeds of discontent." He declares that Socialism would "bring all men down to a dead level, would paralyze industry and destroy all healthy competition." He urges that in obeying those in authority the dutiful citizen is in reality obeying God and advises each to be content with his position in life.

Christian Endeavor's Celebration.

The Christian Endeavor society, of which the Rev. Francis E. Clark was the founder, celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary on Feb. 3. The organization, which he started at Portland, Me., in a Congregational parsonage as a local affair, has spread over the world until it claims the membership of more than 3,500,000 in sixty-nine different countries and representing all denominations. The organ of the society is the Christian Endeavor World, of which Dr. Clark and the Rev. Amos R. Wells are editors.

COMMERCIAL

Heads of Coal Roads Meet.

Presidents Baer of the Reading, Wilcox of the Delaware and Hudson, Truesdale of the Lackawanna, Fowler of the New York, Ontario and Western, Thomas of the Lehigh Valley and Rely of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation company met at New York to decide on their course of action at the conference with the miners' representatives on Feb. 15. It was admitted that the coal carrying railroads and the operators now have in reserve 36,000,000 tons of coal. The average summer consumption of anthracite is 2,000,000 tons a month and the average winter consumption 8,000,000 tons.

Lawson's Copper Secret Out.

The Boston Herald reports that the basis of Thomas W. Lawson's bear campaign on the copper market is the discovery made by Dr. Alexander Shells, a chemist of Glasgow, Scotland, through which it is possible to manufacture commercial copper at a cost of 2 cents a pound. Although the process is not known, it is said that the basis of it is low grade iron ore.

Mr. Lawson has been touring the country in his private car and endeavoring to arrange with Governors Cummins of Iowa, Johnson of Minnesota, Broward of Florida, ex-Attorney General Monnett of Ohio and Senator La Follette of Wisconsin to act as a committee to receive proxies of the New York Life and Mutual Life for the purpose of electing honest business men as directors.

To Regulate Advertising Rates.

The Oregon Press association at a recent meeting took steps toward the regulation of foreign and political advertising, the former being required to pass through an agent of the association at rates to be fixed by that body. It was decided to discontinue the allowance to ready print houses for advertising space and to charge regular rates for political advertising. It was decided to use the term "Beaver State" instead of "Webfoot" in referring to Oregon.

LABOR

Miners Stand Together.

Prior to the adjournment of the executive board of the United Mine Workers at Indianapolis a resolution was adopted on motion of President Mitchell to the effect that no district, "whether anthracite, bituminous or block coal, in the United States or Canada shall make any agreement for a scale of wages unless all districts are included." This effectually heads off any separate agreement for the soft

coal and hard coal miners. Nevertheless preparations have gone on looking toward the conference between the anthracite miners and operators at New York. At Pittsburgh the convention of District No. 5 heard President Patrick Dolan defend his vote at Indianapolis for the present scale. He declared that the anthracite miners were in no shape for a strike and that Mitchell had not told the truth. He said he voted against instructions because it was his best judgment. Nevertheless the convention ordered both President Dolan and Vice President Bellingham to resign. Both refused, and President Mitchell was called on to act. The refusal of the officers to resign was based on the fact that they were elected by referendum vote; consequently, they said, they would retire only by the same authority.

Nothing at this writing stands in the way of a great national miners' strike beginning April 1 and involving 550,000 workers. There has been talk of enlisting the personal mediation of President Roosevelt or that of the Civic federation. They expect to raise a strike fund of not less than \$5,000,000.

Grand Jury Condemns Unions.

The St. Louis grand jury recommends that steps be taken to enact laws covering intimidation, extortion and conspiracy in restraint of trade for the specific purpose of regulating the trades union. The jury finds that the policy of the unions, referring especially to the Building Trades Council of that city, is illegal and subversive of personal and property rights. Cases are specified where contractors have been subjected to needless expense by unjustifiable strikes and by the lawless, arbitrary and foolish acts of labor unions. The report says that mechanics cannot get employment without joining unions, that a proprietor cannot teach his own son a trade in his own shop, that contractors must promise to use material from only those favored by the union and that investments are subject to artificial conditions created by the council.

Coal Drivers Want More.

The Coal Drivers' union of New York, numbering 2,000, decided to go on strike if the Merchants' association would not advance wages to \$13, \$15 and \$17 a week for one, two and three horse wagons respectively and recognize the union in the establishment of a scale.

POLITICAL

Pennsylvania Insurance Graft.

The report of the legislative insurance investigation committee was submitted to the Pennsylvania legislature, and the attention of Governor Pennypacker and his attorney general was called to the testimony which is believed to be sufficient for a successful criminal prosecution of former Commissioner of Insurance Loper, Lambert, Durham and their subordinates for having received the attorney's fees. Especially during Durham's administration attention is called to the payment of large sums to dummy employees. Radical changes in the methods of conducting the insurance department are recommended to the legislature. It was shown that Durham's man, Erb, had drawn at least \$141,000 in actual fees and over \$17,000 for mythical services.

Women Suffragists at Baltimore.

The thirty-eighth annual convention of the National Woman Suffrage association was begun at Baltimore Feb. 7, Governor Warfield delivering the address of welcome. The delegates next day celebrated the eighty-sixth birthday of Susan B. Anthony, one of the founders of the association.

Steffens on the House.

Lincoln Steffens in the course of his investigation of the governmental methods now prevailing at Washington has reached the house of representatives. This body, he says, has ceased to be self governing because the members are utterly submissive to the party machine, of which the speaker is the supreme head. This submission, he thinks, is due to the fact that the representatives find this the easiest way to get a slice of what their constituents and constituents are striving for. In this respect it reflects "the political character, condition and interests of the communities which send congressmen to Washington."

SCIENTIFIC

Health Insurance Possible.

Dr. W. R. C. Latson, the distinguished New York physician and editor of Health Culture, now takes the ground that it is scientifically possible by foresight absolutely to insure health of mind and body. Among the necessary conditions he mentions a simple diet of two meals a day, taken calmly and without hurry. He thinks the question of what to eat is of secondary importance. Other conditions are the drinking of two quarts of water daily between meals, a proper alternation of rest and work, exercise without the element of competition and the thinking of good thoughts.

Circular Aeroplanes Flies.

Calvin T. Fried, for many years connected with the Edison laboratory as mechanical engineer, latterly has been giving his attention to the creation of an airship in the form of a circular aeroplane which utilizes the turbine principle without waste of energy. A preliminary experiment at his Allentown (Pa.) station for a machine designed

to carry two men is said to have been remarkably successful. The aeroplane is forty-eight feet in diameter, and it developed a lifting power of 500 pounds. Mr. Fried says it traveled several miles, returning to the starting point without disaster. A speed of fourteen feet a second, or ten miles an hour, was developed.

One Less Incurable Disease.

Dr. S. P. Beebe of the Cornell University Medical school at New York, announces that he and his associates have demonstrated a cure for the hitherto incurable Graves' disease affecting the thyroid gland in the neck. A serum is obtained from the gland of a patient who must die, but the substance thus obtained will cure twelve other patients. The serum acts directly on the thyroid cells like a narcotic, causing the overaction to cease. It is injected hypodermically every other day for two weeks, and the cure is complete.

Matter Not Indestructible.

Dr. Gustave Le Bon of Paris has reached the revolutionary conclusion that matter finally passes away by spontaneous changes in its molecules, as illustrated in the electrons of radium, and that the result of these changes is "substances which are intermediary between ponderable bodies and imperceptible ether." He believes that the energy thus set free produces the greater part of the forces of the universe, especially electricity and solar heat. Finally, he declares that the possibility of transforming matter into other forms of energy shows "that force and matter are two phases of the same thing."

Underground Wireless Messages.

Father Joseph Murgass of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., who recently completed and put in operation a new system of wireless telegraphy, is now experimenting with an underground principle. He announces that he has no doubt of his ability to send an underground message to Europe and says that the experiment will be made at a cost of \$20,000. It will require a concreted shaft 3,000 feet deep on each side of the ocean and the development of great power. He already has 300-foot shafts at Scranton and Wilkes-Barre.

MISCELLANEOUS

Lincoln Farm Association.

With the idea and purpose of enabling the American people to make the farm and cabin in Kentucky where Lincoln was born a sort of national shrine like Mount Vernon, Collier's Weekly, in whose name the farm was bought at auction for \$3,600 in April, 1904, has organized under the laws of Kentucky the Lincoln Farm association "to which every one shall be entitled to membership who contributes to the general fund for the preservation of this historic spot any sum not less than 25 cents or more than \$25." Governor Folk of Missouri is named as president of the board of trustees, which includes such names as Choate, Watterson, Porter, Mark Twain, Taft, St. Gaudens, Jerome, Tarbell, Jenkin Lloyd Jones and Cardinal Gibbons. Richard Lloyd Jones, who represented Collier's in the purchase of the farm and who tells the story of the auction in the current issue, is secretary of the association. Mrs. Clarence H. Mackay is treasurer, with headquarters at 74 Broadway, New York. The first contribution, namely, \$5—has been received from the postmaster at Hodgenville, Ky., where the farm is located.

New York's New Theater.

Through the efforts of several wealthy New Yorkers, including John Jacob Astor, Cornelius Vanderbilt, James Stillman and others in that class, a stock company has been projected for the elevation of the American stage, and a new playhouse to be known as the New theater is to be erected on Central Park West between Sixty-second and Sixty-third streets. The actors and actresses will be pensioned upon their retirement and the net profits will go to an endowment fund, part of which may be used to start a school of the drama. Heinrich Conried, director of the Metropolitan Opera House, is to be the managing head of this theater, which is to be ready for business in two years.

Castellane Separation Suit.

The Countess de Castellane, daughter of Jay Gould, has begun proceedings in the Paris courts to obtain a separation from her husband, Count Boni de Castellane, on account of a domestic quarrel in which the name of a noted Frenchwoman was mentioned. Still mutual friends are hoping for a reconciliation.

Roosevelt Wedding Gifts.

The report that the wedding gifts to Miss Alice Roosevelt and Mr. Longworth had already reached a total value of \$1,000,000 was denied at the White House. The guest list is said to have been cut to 1,000. The Ohio delegation, after encountering objection to a gift of a punch bowl, has compromised on a loving cup. Mr. Longworth has chosen a Harvard classmate, Thomas N. Perkins of Boston, to be his best man.

Accidents.

A freight train which escaped from a siding at Austin, Mont., rushed fourteen miles down the steep Rocky mountain grade and crashed into a passenger train on the Northern Pacific with such terrific force that five persons were killed, three injured and more than forty cars scattered over the prairie.

Four persons were killed and four injured in a rear end collision of passenger trains on the Oregon Railway and Navigation line.

A million bushels of wheat and 200 horses were burned up at East St. Louis, besides the destruction of seven houses and twenty cars, when an oil tank exploded. The loss was over \$1,000,000.

A TRAINED NURSE

After Years of Experience, Advises Women in Regard to Their Health.

Mrs. Martha Pohlman of 55 Chester Avenue, Newark, N. J., who is a graduate nurse from the Blockley Training School, at Philadelphia, and for six years Chief Clinic Nurse at the Philadelphia Hospital, writes the letter printed below. She has the advantage of personal experience, besides her professional education, and what she has to say may be absolutely relied upon.

Many other women are afflicted as she was. They can regain health in the same way. It is prudent to heed such advice from such a source.

Mrs. Pohlman writes: "I am firmly persuaded, after eight years of experience with Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, that it is the safest and best medicine for any suffering woman to use."

"Immediately after my marriage I found that my health began to fail me. I became weak and pale, with severe bearing-down pains, fearful backaches and frequent dizzy spells. The doctors prescribed for me, yet I did not improve. I would blot after eating, and frequently become nauseated. I had pains down through my limbs so I could hardly walk. It was as bad a case of female trouble as I have ever known. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, however, cured me within four months. Since that time I have had occasion to recommend it to a number of patients suffering from all forms of female difficulties, and I find that while it is considered unprofessional to recommend a patent medicine, I can honestly recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, for I have found that it cures female ills, where all other medicines fail. It is a grand medicine for sick women."

Money cannot buy such testimony as this—merit alone can produce such results, and the ablest specialists now agree that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the most universally successful remedy for all female diseases known to medicine.

When women are troubled with irregular, suppressed or painful periods, weakness, displacement or ulceration of the female organs, that bearing-down feeling, inflammation, backache, bloating (or flatulence), general debility, indigestion, and nervous prostration, or are beset with such symptoms as dizziness, faintness, lassitude, excitability, irritability, nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, "all-gone" and "want-to-be-left-alone" feelings, blues and hopelessness, they should remember there is one tried and true remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound at once removes such troubles.

No other female medicine in the world has received such widespread and unqualified endorsement.

The needless suffering of women from diseases peculiar to their sex is terrible to see. The money which they pay to doctors who do not help them is an enormous waste. The pain is cured and the money is saved by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

It is well for women who are ill to write Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass. The present Mrs. Pinkham is the daughter-in-law of Lydia E. Pinkham, her assistant for many years before her decease, and for twenty-five years since her advice has been freely given to sick women. In her great experience, which covers many years, she has probably had to deal with dozens of cases just like yours. Her advice is strictly confidential.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Succeeds Where Others Fail.



Mrs. Martha Pohlman

with the boy and not with the man." I entreat you to give these boys a chance, an opportunity to be taught to see their mistake. We cannot do too much for them. There are many ways for getting at them. There are many possibilities in every boy which may be brought out by educating him and training him to use the knowledge he possesses and to be a good useful citizen.

In answer to questions, Mr. Fancher said he did not believe now that all the improvements could be made for the \$35,000 named in the bill. He thought it would require about \$50,000. The physician at the school was of the opinion that each boy should have at least 1000 cubic feet of air space in his sleeping quarters. As it is now in one dormitory there is 338 cubic feet to a boy and in the other 375 cubic feet. There was no hospital or no place in which to isolate a boy suffering with a contagious disease.

Senator Cox was in favor of the measure and told the committee that it had been impossible within the time allowed to prepare definite plans or to even get an exact estimate of what it would cost. He believed that it was a good object and that the committee would be acting wisely in reporting favorably on the measure.

County Commissioner Moody Kimball of Newburyport spoke in favor of the bill but advised that the committee should visit the school and see just what the present conditions there were and how much the improvements were needed.

No one appeared in opposition and after a few moments of deliberation the committee announced that it would visit the school on Monday of next week.

SCORED CITY FATHERS FOR THEIR NEGLECT.

In his report Daniel J. O'Mahoney, caretaker of the filter says: "It seems useless for the water board or for the superintendent or for the caretaker of the filter to call the attention of the city government to the lack of filter area necessary to furnish a safe amount of filtered water for the winter months. For several years past the note of warning has been yearly struck, but to no avail. It would seem that there is no further reason for delay, particularly when there appears before us such remarkable activity in the industrial life of the city and such consequent large additions to our water consuming population. Longer delay on the part of the city government in supplying this vitally pressing want would be almost criminal; and, under the circumstances no words can be too plain or too forcible, from those who understand the dangerous condition of affairs. For all delinquents in the matter there will be a terrible accounting in the near future, an accounting for the health and the lives of the citizens of Lawrence unless prompt action is taken to increase our filter area."

MANAGEMENT OF TITLES.

From the Searchlight.

The individual to whom the management of titles is a mystery, who knows that he must not say "my lord," and yet does not know what else to say, will be pleased to know that others besides himself have found difficulty in addressing the nobility.

Lady Dufferin was once addressed in India as "Your Enormity." Queen Victoria received a missive from Abyssinia directed to "The Queen of Kings and the Empress of the Red Sea."

But the good Queen Highland tenants found no trouble with titles. When she went to their cottages, informally, as she often did, they simply said: "Come awa in and sit doon, Queen Victoria."

A Sermon Before Confirmation

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it to another track and set it right. But if you have a deal boiler with no fires under it, it is a far harder matter to get up steam to start the train. A mischievous inventive boy is more hopeful than a stolid idle one.

So highly then does God apparently rate the importance of purpose that He is willing to have it taught by bad men rather than not have it taught at all. For, give it but time, and will can do anything. The man of masterful will becomes, like God, a creator; he stamps himself upon the world; he makes men and things after his own image. How grand it is to see a man of powerful purpose swinging his strong way along! Our American love of success is based, I believe, even more upon this delight in watching power than upon the sweets which material success brings. Do you want friends? Do you want a fortune? Do you want position and power? You can probably get any one of them; and if you could but live long enough, you could get them all. Where the object must be attained, if at all, in this life, the element of time comes in. But with gains which are non-material, there is no such limitation. Do you want knowledge, love, the power to rule through the only sure means of ruling—through service? There is plenty of time for all these after death. I shall investigate every corner of the universe then, and enjoy my friends, and away my fellows, if I still press on the purpose to do so. Cash-gains must be got here; but character-gains are not barred by the threshold—death—where they leave Time sitting and range free from his jurisdiction.

In the domain of the spiritual, I say, will can do anything. Yet, when we stand with some broken purpose in our hands, it often seems as if it could accomplish nothing. A sudden slump of energy, or an outburst of passion, or the ghastly grin of a constitutional taint, not only shame us but discourage us. When we were so firmly purposed not to offend in these ways and yet fell, what security against falling is there in the most sturdy will? And yet however much the ship may be thrown off her course by sudden gusts, she must in the long run answer to the control of the rudder. Steadily, surely, she comes back on her course. Now the rudder of a man is his will. Having a dominant purpose is, it is true, one thing, and working life over into conformity with it is another. But the latter is only the former multiplied in terms of time. And this is the truth lying in the theory of love at first sight and the doctrine of sudden conversion. The objective point of the nature may be changed in a moment. Completeness in following it up may require years. The resolve to serve God may flash and fix itself in an instant; but sanctification, the development and fulfillment of this purpose, will be a process never ending.

It is the deliberate adoption of such purpose, the highest, the most inspiring, which is witnessed to by Confirmation. Just as it is stimulating to a boy to think that he has at last entered the business world, and to see the line of his chosen occupation stretching on before him, so it is, but deeper, more joyous, when one stands up in the glow of his manhood, and, reaching his life up to God, says, "Lo, I come to do Thy will, O my God!" His years heretofore have been his good habits; now these become settled purposes. God's service was always his aim, in the unconscious, un-

considered way in which childhood holds its aims. Now the aim is deliberate, intelligent, and dominating. What joy it is to know that these wealth giving processes are at work within, and that one's life is now placed in the hands of these agents of development! It is a spiritual coming of age, when the boy takes his place among the mature forces of the world.

Yet to look from without into this ordered state, where conscious aim and purpose and devotion to a cause are seen within driving the engine, is almost always, to one who has not lived with them, alarming. Whenever a different sphere from the one in which we customarily dwell, makes an incursion into ours, there is always apt to be some terror mixed with the surprise. As when some Roman scholar 400 years ago, living quietly with his old Greek manuscripts and marbles, knowing that the deadly feud of the Orsini and the Colonna was raging at times in the streets of Rome, would yet start up from his studies some day in alarm, finding the surge of battle sweeping around his house and realizing that perhaps it meant rapine and death for him; so one who lives his inward life drifting, hardly aiming, hardly steering, looks beside him and sees another forging ahead with all the agencies of strenuous effort, definite aim, and ordered harmony; and he shrinks back at the thought of himself taking that zealous pace. And yet while he recoils, he cannot but admire and wish that he were himself that kind of person. Large and glorious life always has on that which is meagre this double effect of repulsion and attraction. And for this reason when an angel came to a human being with a message, his first words, so the Bible says, were generally, "Fear not." So one whose inner life is disordered and purposeless is apt to look upon the service of God as slavery, and yet he cannot help envying the calm reign of law which he sees there.

Another mistake which we are inclined to make in regard to God's service is that it is continually issuing prohibitions; and how, we think, could we ever endure to be perpetually forbidden this, that, and the other pleasure? "What, give up all that?" we exclaim, as we sweep in all the joys of life at a glance. "Oh no, I never could do it, and leave life all bare and bitter." And we are right; no one can live joyless in taking the service of God as if a child should say, "I can never give up my plays and toys and grow up to manhood without them." But, with growth it is natural and easy—and would be wretchedness otherwise—that toys should be neglected and clothes outworn and dancing become tedious and song give place to thought. But are these hardships? Are they not just what one would wish? The Christian life, like the natural life, is not a series of wrenches, but a constant and invigorating upward reach. The spirit of consecration sends one forward not with a push but with a pull. The things which must not be done fade away, like the stones and stumps in the valley below, while the opportunities to be seized rise clear and alluring, like the mountain peaks overhead. "The sacrifice which seemed so impossible when contemplated on its negative side as renunciation, becomes a mere trifle when seen on its positive side as a step to the desired end. No woman likes clothes, and no man likes an occupation in itself, but how a mother delights in giving her time and strength to it as she thinks of the comfort her children will take by it! It is impossible to drive some men to shake themselves free from loafing and gambling and drink. But the man who says, "Lo, I come to do Thy will, O my God!" drops these things as if they burned him, so eager is he to run to the voice he hears calling him.

That is the great glowing centre of the whole matter—and it is the whole subject of this sermon—the inspiring joy of self consecration. The pride of the business man in belonging to his large concern, or the student to his college, or the soldier to his colors; the zeal of being in line with the great processes of life, of being one with the great driving power behind your world—this, taken up into the highest region, which makes the Christian sing as he brings his life and offers it to God. And he sings the more as he discovers the wealth which the gift showers back upon him. There is a sense of coöperant accomplishment—he and God and all good men now uniting in working together. And in the assets of this great firm he owns a share. There is a sense of strength; for he is now backed up by powerful allies. There is an invigoration; for the inward machinery is doing the work for which it was intended, and is therefore running smoothly and well. It is like the feeling of health, which makes you exclaim on some clear, crisp morning, "Why, how vigorous I feel." Health, physical or spiritual, gives us its certificate of approval: "This is the right condition to be in. This is life."

Of course there is the drawback that all this is not as complete as one wishes. The consecration, he knows too well, will show flaws, and the joy he perceives in glimpses rather than in a steady glow. He prays that the guerilla forces within may be routed; that he may have more unity of life, more wholeness, which is holiness.

"Great God, create my soul anew,
Conform my heart to Thine;
Melt down my will, and let it flow,
And take the mould divine.

Seize my whole frame into Thy hand;
Here all my powers I bring;
Manage the wheels by Thy command
And govern every spring.

Then not the sun shall more than I
His Maker's law perform,
Nor travel swifter through the sky,
Nor with a zeal more warm."

But this defect of incompleteness, regrettable as it is, is not fatal. This is incidental to growth of every kind; and as such, God recognizes and allows for it. He knoweth our frame; He remembereth that we are dust. And such allowance is not mere easy-going good nature; it is based on the actual fact in the case. For, as we were saying, the man is ever as his will. Feelings and opinions and even conduct do not count as indications of the man's real self in comparison with his will. Of course there may be a false will, one got up for show, to deceive others or himself. But the man's real will is always his real self. So the Bible describes man as right in the right direction, before they have had time to work out their righteous purpose into deeds. Abraham believed the Lord, and He counted it to him for righteousness. David said unto Nathan, "I have sinned against the Lord." And Nathan said unto David, "The Lord also hath put away thy sin. Thou shalt not die." At once, before the justifying works could

follow, the stamp of the Divine approval is given; because the man, the real man, the will of the man, is now in harmony with God. This brings to the conscientious seeker encouragement as to the result. He, with the Psalmist, can point to this inward condition for assurance: "My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed. I will sing and give praise."

Let us follow the logic of our text a little further. One who comes to do the will of God will want to embody that purpose in his occupations. Most of us who have reached middle life find ourselves with occupations upon us, which are imperative. They may not express fully our wishes nor our serious aims, especially now that we are desirous of doing all things for the glory of God. Yet we cannot change them. We are bound to them, and through them to other persons, by ties of duty. Then we proceed actively to take out the material stuffing from them and to fill them with the spirit of Christ. Any business or business method which is dishonorable, we abandon at once, at whatever cost. Every business which is honest but which stands perhaps less in the direct line of God's service than we could desire, we make into the best; knowing that every best praises God, and that there is nothing which in this way may not reach upward its cup of praise to Him.

"If I were but a grain of sand,
I'd sing my Maker's praises loud
In angles sharp, in substance, and
Arrest the thoughtless crowd.

Or if I were a gorgeous flower,
I'd flaunt about my Maker's praise,
Showing His colors hour by hour,
Painting to men His ways.

Or if I were a climbing hind,
My feet should tell my Maker's art,
Since for His praise He thus designed
And dignified that part.

So now I am a living soul,
My thought and will shall praise the Lord
Let all parts with Nature's whole
Shout forth some glorious word!"

Every best praises God; and therefore every occupation may praise Him. Yet there are some which do it more directly and loudly than others. Among many which do Him service, there are some which do Him more service; and of these, the consecrated Christian is covetous. Some of you who are here this morning are still in a position where you can choose what shall be your life-work. O let this glad song of the Psalmist inspire you, so that you too may exclaim, "Lo, I come to do Thy will, O my God!" Choose your occupation on account of the opportunities it may offer for God-serving. Remember how large a field that is when seen through Christ's magnifying-glass—feeding the hungry intellectually and spiritually as well as physically, ministering to those who are in any respect poor, awaking men to the acceptableness of the year of the Lord. Whatever occupation this may lead your special capacities into, in art or in the household, in business or professional life, see that you take it because of its possibilities for ministering. That is the pearl of great price for which you are seeking. That is the treasure hidden in the field for you to buy. To make some aspect of God shine out plainer and more glorious before men, this will be your aim as you consecrate your occupation to do the will of God.

May I not say a word to you young men who are standing on the threshold of life, uncertain yet which door you shall open, a word in behalf of my own profession—the Christian ministry? I recognize the immense good that can be done in the world by an honest rich man, a conscientious editor, a kind physician, a politician who is above partisanship, a lawyer who insists upon standing on grounds which are moral as well as legal. The world needs all these, and many of them. When a young man stands at the gate of any of these occupations and turns to the Lord and says, with Barak the Judge, "If Thou wilt go with me, then I will go; but if Thou wilt not go with me, then I will not go," his friends will bid him God-speed. "Be strong and a good courage; for the Lord thy God, He is that shall go with Thee."

And yet, with full recognition of the opportunities for serving God which these and other employments afford, I cannot but think there are opportunities in the Christian ministry which are unique and precious. Other occupations deal with human interests which are more or less on the circumference; this goes straight to the centre. Others touch the circumstances; this touches the soul. And the soul, when you know it and have to do with it and see it throbbing with vitality, is not the dry, small, professional thing which the world is apt to picture to us. It is men wrestling with doubts and shaking on the verge of mighty decisions. It is women tearful in despair or exultant in self-devotion. It is little children unfolding sweetly, and innocently and trustfully, looking up to be led. The human soul, looking up to be led, is the most precious, the most profitable, the most inspiring of occupations. The salary is small, but the wages are large; for they consist in being in constant touch with men on their best sides and with the things of the greatest worth. It is a shallow misconception to think that our age and the age incoming have no place for the Church and the minister. For them merely as a legacy from the past

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The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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they have indeed no place. But men are still hungering after spiritual food. They are asking questions reverently, profoundly today as perhaps never before. To any one who will speak with absolute frankness, with intelligence, and with the authority which comes through having seen God, men will eagerly listen. "O believe it, my brothers, you who are considering where to invest your efforts, the Christian ministry offers an ample, a joyous, and a certain return for your investments. For whatever the outward failure a minister may meet, when he looks at the wealth in knowledge and development it has brought to himself, he must exclaim with St. Paul, 'I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who gave me the ability, for that He counted me worthy, putting me into the ministry.'"

I have tried to get this occasion of Confirmation to tell us all something of the joy of consecration to the service of God. To those who stand before the Bishop, Wednesday evening will bring a taste of the joys of accepted citizenship, of initiation, of responsibility entrusted, of marriage, of a banquet of honor with flowers and festivity. To those of us who have already stood there, it may prick the conscience which has become torpid and brighten the vision which has become dull; or it may deepen still more the joy which has grown deeper with every year of our lives; it may make us more profoundly thankful that we have tasted and seen that the Lord is good. While those who have not yet known the joy and the strength of a definite and lofty purpose—O would that it might move them to stretch out Esau's longing arms and to cry with him, "Bless me, even me also, O my father!"

CHINESE VISITORS VISIT THE LEGISLATURE.

BOSTON, Feb. 13.—For the first time in his long career, the Chinese Consul, with his red spear and dragon, broke forth from the peak of the Senate flag staff on the State House yesterday afternoon, and the white flag and its Indian were lowered in honor of the occasion. The guests, Tai Hung Chi, assistant secretary of the Chinese Legation, representing the Imperial cabinet, and Tuan Fong, viceroy of Fukien and Chekiang, with Sir Chentung Liang Cheng, K. C. M. G., minister of China to the United States, with their suite, of about 20 Chinese visitors were met at the Beacon street steps at 3.30 by Adj. Gen. Frye, Surg. Gen. Devine, Judge Advocate-General Bancroft, Commissioner-General Carpenter and Col. J. G. White of the Governor's staff, and escorted through the Bulfinch front to the executive chamber, where Gov. Guild received them. In the receiving line were State Secretary Olin, State Treasurer Chapin and Atty.-Gen. Malone. The Governor introduced his guests to Lieut. Gov. Briggs and the councilors. Capt. Remington, sergeant-at-arms, was introduced and escorted them to the senate chamber, where Tai Hung Chi and Tuan Fong were seated upon the right and left of President Dana.

Both branches had deferred consideration of the Chinese bill, and their guests might see the Legislature at work. After a short tarry in the Senate the party went to the House. The members all rose and loudly applauded the visitors. In the speaker's gallery were Mrs. John N. Cole and the ladies of her party, and all rose to the feet of the Chinese. The hand clapping appeared to delight Tai Hung Chi immensely. His face was one broad smile, while he threw his hands in the air to right and left, twirling his fingers with extraordinary rapidity in response to the reception. Tai and Tuan took their seats to the right and left of the speaker, and the minister to the right of Tai.

Speaker Cole said it gave him peculiar pleasure to present the high commissioners, but even more so to see the introduction of the Chinese minister, whom he had known personally for many years; who came to them as the product of two of the great educational institutions of this country—Phillips Academy, in the speaker's own native town, and Amherst College.

Sir Chentung Liang Cheng, who was received with loud applause and cheers said: "The best days of my life have been spent in your commonwealth. I have turned to Massachusetts as always to a matter of immeasurable pleasure. While I claim my full allegiance to Phillips Academy in Andover, I was not permitted, for a very small matter, to complete my collegiate course in those days. China was very backward. She would not countenance students participating in sports, and when some of her sons acquired proficiency in certain sports, as baseball, she thought there was no more use in them; but now she has made athletic sports in her institutions a feature, and she has learned that her students, sent over here in 1870 for education, and the things they had enjoyed in this state and the neighboring states of Connecticut, have not made the course worse citizens, but instead of 170 students, as then, we have over 500 divided among the various colleges and colleges of this country."

"It was a source of special gratification to me when my august sovereign called me to represent the country of my birth in the country of my education. And the continuance of sending students to this country by my government, as it will be kept up, will do a great deal in bringing a better understanding between our peoples."

"I am sure that when China has decided to learn from foreign countries the best way to turn her ancient empire into a modern nation, the immediate results of this special commission, which you have accorded the honor to be present in your chamber this afternoon, will have the most desirable effect in strengthening and bringing our two nations and peoples together."

There were renewed cheers, the calendar was gone through, then with a snake of the hands with Speaker Cole the Chinese dignitaries departed, and were driven to the Somerset.

Wise—Old Boomer has been hovering at death's door for nearly a week. Sharpe—Guess he can't find the key hole.

"What is the difference between a dog and a cat?"

"Very little, if the dog sees the cat first."

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In view of this awakening interest we have recently subscribed for "The Garden Magazine" to be on the table at Memorial Hall. This is a comparatively new magazine but has become very popular owing to the fact that it gives the practical information which all who cultivate a garden wish, in such an interesting manner that it creates an irresistible impulse to see what one can do along the same lines.

The illustrations are very beautiful and we commend it to the patrons of the library who also love a garden.

Later the bound volumes of the magazine will be found invaluable for use in the home.

The children were again interested in our offer of flower seeds for a nominal sum, the number of packets required showing a slight increase over the previous year. 2210 packets were sold.

Through some mistake or oversight the names of those who wished to compete for the garden prizes which we offer each year were not taken in all the schools, to the great disappointment of many of the children, as well as of ourselves.

We hope another year that all will be given an opportunity to show what beautiful gardens they can grow.

We shall give tonight views of three of the last prize gardens, taken because they were the most easily accessible to the photographer.

Many of the children of foreign parentage have manifested the greatest interest in this work, and show the characteristic love of color and beauty which is their birthright.

One of the best gardens had so many drawbacks as to location, lack of sunshine, and poor soil, that an older person would have been discouraged at the outset. Yet it flourished mightily.

I think I may safely say that in none of the first prize gardens was the smallest weed ever allowed to grow.

One of the youngest of the prize winners watered her garden faithfully night and morning, and, as her mother expressed it, was "tickled to death" over the resulting luxuriance. (I wish we had a photograph of that happy little girl with her watering pot.) The father stated that they had never before grown a flower, but the whole family took the greatest pride in this garden.

The list of prize winners is as follows: 1st Prize (\$1 each)—Annie and Sylvia Zalia, Pearson street; Mary Cronin, Elm Court; Emma and Adam Michlin, Pearson street; Anna Bursley, Highland Road; Roy Flint, Holt District.

2nd Prizes (50 cents each)—Arthur Cole, Elm street; Gordon Whitman, Pine street; Irene Valentine, Elm Court; Joseph Basso, Pearson street; John Irving, Salem street.

Gratuities (25 cents each)—Florence Snyder, Ballardvale; Serena Wheatley, Ballardvale; Alice Davis, Ballardvale; Bradford Clarke, Main street; Margaret Hincheliff, Highland Road; Edith and Ralph Baker, Highland Road; Gertrude White, Reservation Road; Maud Orent, Maple avenue; Wendell Kydd, Red Spring Road; Margaret Hammond, Whitlister street; Anna Kyle, Elm Court; Willa Sellers, Highland Road; Guy Webster, Pine street; Everett Collins, Chestnut street; Harry Dyer, Carter's Corner; Elsie Stiles, Washington avenue.

The plot at the corner of Main street and Hidden Road, for our own convenience, we have christened "The Ledges," hoping the Park Commissioners will approve.

Much improvement has already been made here by filling and grading.

The old roadway has been completely covered and a new one, laid out by the highway surveyor, lies farther to the south of the park. Shrubs and trees have been planted at the extreme southern boundary and grass seed sown. Still more work would have been done but for the promise that another year we might have the benefit of the road wash for filling, and it seemed wise to wait.

A temporary railing has been placed at the Main street side with an opening at the new roadway. This will be removed as soon as the public shall have become accustomed to the new arrangement and shrubs and grass are growing well.

Manse Green and the Marland Village plot have been cared for as usual.

More vines have been planted at the rear of the Town House and properly protected.

Those on Memorial Hall, which have made a too rampant growth in some directions, have been pruned. The protector about the Centennial Tree repaired, settees repainted, and many other matters looked after, trifling in themselves, but the sum of which marks the difference between a tidy and a neglected town.

Although the usual prizes for caterpillar belts were offered, only 94 belts were brought in. The children were unable to find them. Perhaps the brown-tail moth has driven them out. This pest has invaded our town in large numbers, and is being fought by the authorities to the best of their ability.

The curious oak tree, called Samson's hockey, which is our only piece of property, was evidently a favorite place for the moths, as will be seen by a photograph which we shall show tonight.

Some one wittily said, "It looked as if done up in curl papers."

We have made arrangements to have the nests removed in the near future.

The directors have secured three half barrels for rubbish, which will be placed near the centre of the town where it is thought they will do the most good. The boxes placed in the Post-office by us several years ago were removed because cigarettes and matches had been carelessly thrown among the papers, and it is hoped the barrel in front of the Musgrove block will, in a measure, take their place.

In the treasurer's report the phrase "sustaining members" deserves a word of explanation.

These members give yearly the sum of five dollars for our work. The obligation is moral, of course, rather than legal, but each sustaining member counts as much to our treasury as ten annual members. We are indebted to the Rev. Francis H. Johnson for the suggestion, which seemed to us a most happy one, by which we hope to assure ourselves of a larger yearly income. Contributors unless the intention is expressed of making such a gift annually.

In the death of Mrs. Coburn we lose one of our earliest life members and a devoted friend of Andover. By her generous bequests she has endeared her

memory to us all. Schools, church and town were all the objects of her love and thoughtful plan.

It will be seen by the treasurer's report that the society has been the recipient of several generous gifts during the year.

They have been almost invariably accompanied by some word of appreciation, which cheers our hearts. We give the donors our sincere thanks for their generosity, and we would also thank the Andover Townsman for space freely given.

For this evening's entertainment we are especially indebted to Mr. Corwin F. Palmer and Mr. Herbert F. Chase, who have made the photographs and slides which are to be shown. Also to Mr. S. D. Stevens who secured the No. Andover views; and I am sure that after seeing the pictures we shall all feel like giving them a rising vote of thanks.

For the directors,

EMMA J. LINCOLN, Secretary.

President Eaton made the announcement that during the past week he had received a check from Rev. William L. Ropes for \$5 to help in the fine work of the society, and a letter from Mrs. N. J. Bartlett which was accompanied by a check of \$100 to establish a fund in the name of her husband. These were accepted with the thanks of the society.

The series of pictures were then shown by Superintendent of Schools Corwin F. Palmer, who was ably assisted by Herbert F. Chase. The views were all taken in Andover and North Andover by these two gentlemen and Sam D. Stevens. The plates were made by Mr. Chase, and were an exceptionally fine piece of work.

Several of the pictures were shown for their historic interest, others for the natural beauty of the scenery, while others showed the work of the society in various ways. The pictures of the prize flower gardens of last year were of especial interest to the children.

The meeting adjourned at 9.45.

PHILLIPS ANDOVER WINS A NOTABLE VICTORY.

Phillips Andover won a most exciting game from the Lowell Textile school basketball team in the Borden gymnasium Wednesday afternoon, defeating her opponents 32 to 31 in an overtime contest.

This was the Lowell team's first defeat and the clever Textile five fought desperately to win. Andover played with much spirit and kept right with her fast opponents, Hennessey's accurate throwing finally landing the coveted point needed for a victory.

Andover was crippled by the absence of Capt. Murphy who was called away by the death of his uncle.

"Phil" Whiting, who has returned to Andover for another year, after spending a few months at Cornell, captained the team and played well but lack of condition forced him to retire in the second half.

Lowell had rather the best of the first half which ended with the score 13 to 8 in her favor. Andover started the second half with much dash and fairly overwhelmed her opponents for several minutes. Then Lowell got back into the game and secured the lead by two points. Near the end of the half Gunning tied the score with a pretty basket.

Just after this a dispute arose. Capt. Whiting had retired and was succeeded by his brother, Capt. Church of the Lowell team requested the referee to compel the substitute to don a blue jersey, his gray one being similar to those worn by the Lowell players. Mr. Thorpe, who was acting as referee in that half, blew his whistle, but did not call time, evidently taking it for granted that the time would be taken out. The timers, however, declared the half over while the matter in question was being adjusted. The score was 26 to 26.

Capt. Church of Lowell then claimed that Andover's last basket was made after the whistle blew.

After a conference it was decided that the score stood 26 to 26 with 45 seconds of the second half to play. Both teams scored on fouls and the score was 27 to 27 at the end of the half.

An overtime period of five minutes opened and two pretty baskets by Fels and two by Lowell brought the score to 31 points each, when a double foul was called. Hennessey of Andover scored his basket and Capt. Church of Lowell failed. Time was called soon after the ball was in play, Andover being one point to the good.

There was great enthusiasm shown by the Andover student body during the contest and their cheering spurred their team on when a rally meant victory.

At one time in the second half Andover had a safe lead but failure to block and fast work by the Lowell forwards enabled the visitors to keep the result in doubt until the game ended.

Donald and Church played splendid ball and the entire team stood behind them well. Lowell showed better defended team play and superior defence, but Andover made her shots count, while inaccurate throws cost Lowell many points. The summary:

P. ANDOVER. L. TEXTILE.
Fels 17 1b Sturbsar
Blumenauer 11 1b Fels
Gunning 11 1b Fels
F. Whiting 11 1b Fels
E. Whiting 11 1b Fels

Hennessey 11 1b Walker
Score, Phillips Andover 32, Lowell Textile 31. Goals from floor, Gunning 4, Blumenauer 4, Fels 3, P. Whiting 1, Donald 10, Church 3, Walker. Goals from fouls, Hennessey 8, Donald 2, Walker. Referee, Reilly. Umpire, Thorpe. Scorer, Taggart. Timer Hobbs. Time 20m halves, 5m overtime.

BY WAY OF COMPENSATION.

Rudolph Maller, a New York civil engineer, was uncivil enough to hug Miss Gladys Chapman overlooking the fact that he did not know the young lady. The magistrate thought the embrace worth six months "on the island."

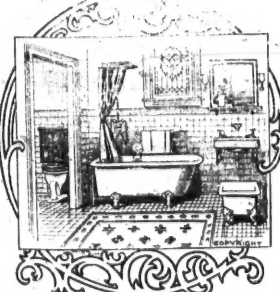
Because a revolver which he had purchased to kill himself missed fire, Paul Schlarbaum of San Bernardino brought suit against the hardware company for the price of the weapon.

Mrs. Lawson of Richmond, Va., owns a cow, and the cow owned a calf but this last was drowned in a swamp. Thereupon the bereaved mother adopted a fawn, first retaining it from a hound which had chased it into the pasture.

Tess—So he jilted her, eh? That must have made her feel cheap. Jess—Not as cheap as he might wish. She computes the damage to her heart at \$25,000.

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North Andover News

Miss Annie Hosmer is ill at her home on Osgood street.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Stevens have returned from a trip South.

Mrs. J. C. Rea is visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. P. Berry in Methuen.

David Mackie, now employed at Hyde Park, was at his home over Sunday.

John Hartman, an employee of the Lynn electrical plant, was in town over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Athol Cooledge of Rev. are visiting at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rea.

Misses Nellie and Josephine Donovan of East Lynn spent Sunday at the residence of Selectman F. P. Daw on Second street.

The following letters remain unclaimed at the parish post office: Mrs. E. L. Marshall, James Raroly, Hubert Matthews, Jedediah Dwellier.

Many people in town are grieved to learn of the death of Benjamin P. Ware, the great agriculturalist of Marblehead. Mr. Ware is well-known in town, having delivered many talks on agriculture before the local grangers.

Rev. S. C. Beane will preach the fourth sermon in a series on questions worth asking at the Old North Unitarian church next Sunday morning at 10:30. Subjects: Jan. 28, "Was Jesus the Messiah?" Feb. 4, "Is Jesus the Saviour?" Feb. 11, "What is Revelation?" Feb. 18, "Is This a Good World?" The public is invited.

Lincoln Day was very fittingly observed at the Johnson High school Monday forenoon. At 10:45 o'clock the study period was closed. After Governor Guild's proclamation was read by Principal Ralph L. Wiggins, a short talk on Abraham Lincoln was delivered by Rev. John L. Keedy. This address was very fitting for the day and very interesting to the scholars, who showed their appreciation various times. The program closed with the song "America."

JANUARY TOWN DRAFT.

Board of health expenses,	\$ 7.75
Collector of taxes,	150.48
Contingent fund,	81.78
Engine house,	380.50
Support of fire department,	236.53
Janitor town hall,	16.65
Lighting streets,	236.67
No. Andover Improvement association,	53.60
Police department,	79.26
Support of poor,	406.24
State and military aid,	91.00
Street department,	51.87
Schools,	933.31
Destroying moths,	93.30
Tree warden expenses,	5.20
Water works construction,	113.66
Total,	\$2939.63

JOINT CELEBRATION.

The Olivet chapter of the Epworth League of the Methodist church will celebrate Washington's and Lincoln's birthday Monday evening, Feb. 19.

Rev. L. W. Adams of South Framingham will deliver an illustrated lecture with 200 views. His subject will be "Washington and Lincoln."

Mrs. A. K. Tufts and Miss Jenni Colquhoun will entertain the primary department of the M. E. Sunday school in the church vestry Saturday, Feb. 17, from 3 to 5 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Roberts are rejoicing over the birth of a girl.

Mrs. George Knapp is ill at her home on Depot street.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Clark of Andover street are visiting in New York.

William O'Brien has returned to New York after a visit at his home on Osgood street.

Mrs. Andrew Smith of Lynn is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Fred W. March on Pleasant street.

Sunday being the third Sunday of the month, Communion will be given at St. Paul's church at 9 o'clock.

Mrs. Harris N. Stevens is a patient at the Cora Hill hospital, Brookline, where she is resting very comfortably.

Tickets are now on sale for the whist party to be conducted at the Charitable Union rooms at the Centre, March 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Osgood of Lawrence are rejoicing over the birth of a son. Mr. and Mrs. Osgood are very well known about this town.

Delegates from the local lodge of Good Templars will be present at the district meeting to be held in the K. of P. hall, Lawrence, Feb. 22.

Edward's orchestra will furnish music for the N. E. O. P. in Black Prince hall, Wednesday evening, Feb. 21. The orchestra has also been engaged to furnish music for the American Benefits.

Miss Sarah Kittredge attended the birthday anniversary observance of Miss Myra Cummings, the famous author who wrote "The Lamp Lighter" at Salem, Monday, Miss Cummings is a cousin to Miss Kittredge.

The Parlor lecture by Mrs. Francis Hemebrook at St. Paul's parish house will be very interesting. Mrs. Hemebrook is a noted lecturer and her subject "Queen Victoria" is a famous one. The lecture takes place Saturday afternoon.

The Holy Name society of St. Michael's church held its regular meeting Sunday evening in the church chapel. It was voted to invite Rev. Fr. James Walsh of Boston to deliver a stereoscopic lecture in the Merrimack hall, Rev. Fr. Gallagher, P. P. E. John Harvey and President Cornelius J. Mahoney were chosen as a committee to make arrangements. It is probable that the lecture will take place March 18, if this date is satisfactory to Fr. Walsh.

CANDIDATE FOR TAX COLLECTOR.

George D. Knightly of 15 Union street announces his candidacy for the office of tax collector on the Republican ticket. Mr. Knightly has been a resident of the town for several years and is engaged in the boot and shoe business at 95 Essex street, Lawrence.

MEMORIAL SERVICES.

The following program will be carried out at the memorial services at the Congregational church, Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock. Rev. John L. Keedy, pastor, will lead: Organ voluntary.

Anthem. Reading Scripture. Prayer. Anthem. Reading of Memorial.

Deacon D. W. Carney in Memorial of Mrs. Susan M. Stone. Deacon George E. Hathorne in Memorial of Charles E. Stillings.

Deacon Joseph H. Stone, Deacon Hon. Newton P. Frye.

STEVENS SOCIAL CLUB GRAND CONCERT AND BALL.

It was one of the most successful affairs ever conducted by the Stevens Social club that their 14th grand concert and ball which took place last night in the Merrimack hall passed into the book which records the social events of the season. The most prominent feature which was immediately noticeable on entering the hall was the fine decorations which set the hall off in a very pleasing manner.

These exceedingly pretty decorations were made under the supervision and with the valuable aid of Thomas Broderick, a decorator of much note. The highest compliments were to be heard on all sides on the taste of the decorating committee.

The color scheme used was a combination of white and very light green for the streamers reaching from the chandeliers, in the centre to the sides of the hall. The walls were very effectively decorated with green and white bunting. Red and white bells hung from the chandeliers and about the walls. The orchestra was behind a realistic garden scene on the stage, which was a very attractive part of the decorations.

Much material for decorating was furnished by Sanborn and Robinson, for which the club is much indebted.

The Thome's orchestra furnished excellent music for the concert and for dancing.

At 9 o'clock about one hundred couples formed in line for the grand march, a very pretty creation made up of many intricate and pleasing figures.

President James Toohey and his sister Miss Helen, they led this grand march, after which a fine order was enjoyably carried out.

The floor was under the very competent direction of General Manager Martin J. Lawlor, Assistant Manager John Plummer, Grand Conductor, Assistant Conductor John X. Healey, assisted by the following aids:

Thomas H. Broderick, Thomas J. Lawlor, W. J. Toohey, J. F. Winning, P. J. Healey, J. G. McAdair, T. M. Murphy, H. G. Schurder, James W. King, P. Thompson, J. Dillon, H. F. Cunningham, P. J. Lawlor, J. T. Finn, J. F. Davis, W. R. Adams, F. Winning, John L. Winning.

At intermission a fine course of refreshments were served by the members of the club.

Those in charge were: Door, Office: P. J. Kealey; box-office, Martin J. Lawlor; checking, John Winning; Joseph Driver, John Thompson, Fred Toohey.

Among those present were: Misses Julia Walsh, Alice Lacky, Catherine Margaret, and Rose Maguire; Helen McGregor, Josephine McGregor, Emma Robinson, Catherine Davis, Rose O'Donnell, Alice Hogan, Louise Lemieux, Nellie Murphy, Mary Johnson, Mary Stewart, Anne Woodhouse, Nance Connors, Julia Casey, Mary Willis, Nora Willis, Mary Mary Casey, Anne Davis, Margaret Donovan, Mary Donahue, Nellie Donovan, E. A. Kealey, Helen Donovan, Anne Donovan, Elizabeth Murphy, Catherine Daw, Jessie Stewart, Annie Walton, Lena Bushard, Mary Costello, Frances Driver, Marion Mathelsson, Elizabeth McCarthy, Ruth Mathelsson, Helen Toohey, Viola Hogan, Anne Costello, Mary Downes, Nellie Reardon, Nora Minehan, Katie Burns, Beatrice Wagner, Edith Mahoney, Ida Bushard, Jennie Carey, Josie Gray, Odie Toye, Theresa Mulvey, Bertie Robertson, Jennie Thompson, Bridget Boach, Catherine Murphy, Minnie McCarthy, Minnie Stewart, Margaret Lynch, Annie Gaynard, Blanche Hall, Lena Wright, Josephine Mann; Harry Greenwood, Joseph Bolton, Murty Cooper, Jeremiah Murphy, James Finger, Harry Watts, Guy Greenwood, John Campbell, Charles Taylor, Peter McCallion, John Lawlor, Frank Pollard, Henry Schuender, Joseph Robertson, Fred Leach, Charles Lee, Joseph Bond, Thomas Lett, Aaron Dolbrick, Fred Phelan, Patrick Lawlor, William Quakeley, George Stevens, Carl Vetter, Harry Merrow, Stephen McGrath, Patrick Casey, William Clarence, Patrick Cassidy, Bertie Macnamaker, Fred Halliwell, Daniel McLaughlin, Daniel Donovan, William Campbell, Raymon Neil, Herbert Wilcox, Harry Madden, John Murphy, George Lahan, Frank Tanner, Frank Kealey, James Brady, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bigelow and Mrs. Isaac Nason.

Lincoln Day in Centre School.

In observance of Lincoln Day the following program was carried out at the Centre grammar school under the direction of Miss Ella A. Small:

Song, Hall Freedom's Banner, School Lincoln as a Boy, James DeAdair, As a Young Man, Frederick Driver, As a Congressman, Garrison Holt, As President, Raymond Towne, Lincoln, the Patriot, Lilla Dimery, His Thoughts on War, John Wilcox, His Emancipation Proclamation, Charles Wilcox.

Song, National Hymn, School Little Blossom and Pres. Lincoln, Olive Moody, A Mother's Request, Mary Chandler, His Gettysburg Speech, Warren Ellis, His Death, Ernest Stewart, Cur Lincoln, A Tribute, John McKinnon.

The Uncrowned Hero, Geo. Johnson, Great, Wise and Good, Margaret Murphy, "Your Mission" (his favorite poem), Annie Whitaker, O. Beautiful! My Country, Margaret Reardon.

Salute to the Flag, School America, School.

The following program was carried out before a large audience in the Congregational vestry under the auspices of the North Andover Musical club Monday night. Each number was greatly enjoyed and received much applause:

Valse Brillante, Moszkowski, Alt de Salome fr. "Herodiade," Massenet.

Frühlingsrauschen, Sinding, Sunset, Miss Stevens, Goring Thomas, Parting, Neidlinger.

Miss Sanborn, Mr. Chickering, Song without Words (No. 25), Mendelssohn, MacDowell.

Erpetum Mobile, MacDowell, Mattinata, Miss Newhall, Toast, The Year's at the Spring, Beach.

Fantasia, Miss Sanborn, Chopin, To-Night, Mr. Lynch, Zardc.

Song of Rest, Miss Gilman, Davies, Cossack and Hungarian Folk Songs, Haesche.

Miss Sanborn, Miss Sargent, Dr. Smith, Mr. Chickering, Intermezzo: Minuet and Minuetto fr. Suite L'Arlesienne, Bizet.

Miss Stevens, Mr. Stevens, REBEKAH DANCE.

On Wednesday evening of this week the Penelope Rebekah lodge, I. O. O. F., will conduct a dance in the Odd Fellows hall.

BALLARDVALE.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, Rev. Augustus H. Fuller, pastor. Services for Sunday, Feb. 18.

10:30 a. m. Worship with sermon by the pastor.

Sunday school to follow.

2:30 p. m. Meeting of the C. E. Juniors.

6:00 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E. business meeting.

7:00 p. m. Praise service with address by the pastor.

7:30 p. m. Thursday evening, prayer meeting.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, Rev. William Ferguson, Pastor. Services for Sunday, Feb. 18.

10:30 a. m. Worship with sermon by the pastor. Subject, "The New Commandment."

Sunday school to follow.

3:00 p. m. Meeting of E. L. Juniors.

6:00 p. m. Epworth League.

7:00 p. m. Praise service with address by the pastor.

7:30 p. m. Thursday evening prayer meeting.

Obituaries.

MRS. HANNAH (MORSE) ASHTON.

Mrs. Hannah (Morse) Ashton, wife of Deacon Orrell Ashton, died at her home on River street, last Monday evening at 10:15 from heart disease, after an illness of about a year, at the age of 64 years, 6 months, 27 days. The deceased was born in New Mills, England in 1841.

She came to this country in 1867, when she settled in Lawrence where she remained 14 years. After living in Lowell for a number of years she came to Ballardvale where she has resided for the past 12 years. Mrs. Ashton was a member of the Congregational church, she was a kind, loving mother and her bright, cheerful disposition made her a special favorite wherever she went. She leaves one son, Albert Farrell of Ballardvale and two daughters, Mrs. Robert Coupe of Providence, R. I., and Mrs. William Matthews of Andover to mourn her loss.

The funeral was held Thursday afternoon from her late home and was conducted by the Rev. Augustus H. Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ashton sang, "Jesus Lover of my Soul" in a very comforting manner. The floral tributes were very beautiful and showed the high esteem in which the deceased was held by all her neighbors and friends. The pall bearers were Albert Farrell, Robert Coupe, William Matthews and William Troutman. Interment was in Spring Grove Cemetery.

MISS CATHERINE MONICA SCOTT.

Miss Catherine Monica Scott died last Thursday forenoon at eight o'clock after an illness of three months, at the age of 40 years, 11 months.

The deceased was born in Ballardvale in 1865 and had always lived here. Miss Scott was a devout Catholic and always took an active part in the work of her church. She leaves two sisters, Miss Nora J., Miss Mary E., and three brothers, Patrick J., John W., and James F. to mourn her loss.

The funeral will be held Saturday forenoon at 9 o'clock from St. Joseph's church. Rev. Father Morrison will celebrate mass. Burial in St. Augustine's cemetery.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to express our thanks to those who, by their kindness and words of comfort helped us in our great sorrow and bereavement.

Signed,

ORRELL ASHTON AND FAMILY.

Alexander Berrah is quite seriously ill.

Miss Catherine Campbell of Newton was the guest Sunday of Miss Dolly McGovern.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Kendall of Somerville spent Thursday with relatives in the Vale.

Miss Nellie Culliton of Somerville has been the guest during the past week of Miss Nellie McGovern.

The Methodist Ladies' Aid society will meet at the parsonage next Wednesday afternoon.

Seventeen Vale people attended the twenty-fifth C. E. anniversary held in Tremont Temple, Boston, last Wednesday evening.

The two houses of the late Mrs. Mary Holroyd were sold at public auction last Saturday afternoon. Barnett Rogers was auctioneer. The cottage house was bought for \$850 by John Davey, and the double house was bought for \$900 by Mrs. Henry W. Platt.

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The Boston Theatres.

For the convenience of the readers of the Townsman we will publish each week a list of the various attractions at the prominent theatres of Boston.

Tremont Theatre—"Paula Edwards in 'Princess Beggar'."

Majestic Theatre—Next week "Mizpah."

Boston Theatre—"Babes in the Wood."

Next week "Way Down East."

Colonial Theatre—"E. S. Willard in Repertoire." Next week Frank Daniels in "Sergeant Brue."

Hollis St. Theatre—"Maxine Elliott in 'Her Great Match'." Next week William H. Crane in "The American Lord."

Park Theatre—"Robert Edeson in 'Strongheart'."

Globe Theatre—"Fiske O'Hara 'Mr. Blarney from Ireland.' Next week David Higgins in 'His Last Dollar'."

Empire Theatre—"My Partner." Next week "Dorothy Vernon of Haddon Hall."

Castle Square Theatre—"A Lady of Quality."

"Way Down East."

That delightful play of rural New England life, "Way Down East" comes to the Boston theatre for two weeks, beginning Monday, February 19, and including Wednesday and Saturday matinees and a special matinee on February 22 (Washington's birthday).

This charming idyl of American rustic life combines many elements that command interest and exact popular sympathy. It appeals to all classes by its tender pathos, genial humor and stage realism. Its portrayal of life on a New England farm, with its sleighing parties and maple sugar camps, introduces many quaint and genuinely comic characters.

Sunshine, in plenty, lights up the shadows, and there are many amusing episodes. Seats for "Way Down East" will go on sale at the box office of the Boston theatre next Monday.

A number of local Epworth Leaguers will attend the Lynn District Convention to be held in the Westley church, Salem, Feb. 22.

William J. Whittley has been elected captain of the Boston College baseball team. All his many friends wish him a successful season.

Rev. A. H. Fuller has been attending the State Convention of the Sons of Veterans at Boston this week as a delegate of Elijah A. Morse Camp of Easton.

The Congregational Ladies' Aid society will meet next Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the vestry. Supper will be served in the evening from 6:30 to 7:30 o'clock. At 7:45 o'clock an entertainment will be furnished by the gentlemen to which the public is very cordially invited.

There was a large attendance last Saturday evening at the dance held in Bradlee hall under the auspices of the Independent Drum Corps. The grand march was led by Miss Mamie Tobin and Thomas O'Donnell. All present reported a very enjoyable evening.

Notice.

REAL ESTATE FOR INVESEMENT AND A RARE CHANCE.

The undersigned, by reason of age, shortage of funds and no longer a resident decides to sell the balance of his holdings in Ballard Vale, now soon. This property is well known in Andover, much of which is eligible for building sites and of a quality unsurpassed for garden culture, trees, shrubbery, etc., being of easy culture and very productive. We offer this property first to investors in whole or in part, consisting of one house and twenty-seven acres of land—or later, will be subdivided in lots to suit; say, from (1) one acre to (5) five, for field and garden culture or for chicken farms and poultry raising, which for location cannot be surpassed. High and dry, plenty of water, etc. Duck raising is also a specialty and very profitable. These lands, east side of the river (East Vale) if you please, mostly lie along the main avenue leading to Andover, and but five minutes walk to the outer limits of the property. This street or avenue contains the water pipes for the village, and is also equipped for electric lights or trolley cars which we hope are not far away. Ballard Vale so long under a cloud, we believe is soon to rise from its ashes. The Woolen Mills, so long its main support, have passed into other and more progressive hands, and already there are rumors of enlargement and much greater improvement. This is good news. For this is a most attractive little village topographically, at least, and should attract business. Its people are industrious, active, social, and benevolent, and we predict for it better days, and that soon. Further description of the property later.

Respectfully,

H. M. HAYWARD.
Andover, Feb. 14, 1906.

Ballard Vale lodge, No. 105, will give an entertainment and drama in Bradlee hall, Monday evening, Feb. 26. The two act temperance drama "Rescued" will be presented by the following strong cast of local talent: Colonel Ellsworth, Gilbert Fenlason; Paul Vance, Benjamin Herick; Ralph Hawkins alias Hart, Guy Russell; Lewis Morgan alias Davis, Clifford Harvey; Thomas Phelps, Louis Jean; Miss Sudie Ellsworth, Miss M. Louise Hammond; Miss Kate Shuler; Miss Bessie Corthell; Bridget, a servant, Miss Lottie McCall. Between the acts a number of specialties will be presented including vocal and instrumental music and a comedy sketch entitled "The Dress-suit Case Mystery or A Woman's Intuition," by Mrs. Irving R. Shaw. Ice cream will be on sale. The public is very cordially invited to attend. Admission 15 cents.

Notice.

Will the party who picked up a St. Bernard dog, color orange and white, weighs 85 lbs., during the week of Feb. first, save trouble by notifying the owner.

JOSEPH H. WHEATLEY.
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Miss Saunders.

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